## Mrs Thatcher warns Russia of disaster if Poland is invaded

Margaret Thatcher warned Soviet Union in a major speech

respond far more effectively than over Afghanistan. In remarks erday that intervention in aimed at France, she rebuked nd would be a disaster for questionings within the EEC of hia as well as the Polish people members' good faith and said the said Nato countries would Community was at a crossroads.

## France rebuked for EEC rifts

Moscow, Mrs Margaret icr said last night that ention in Poland would be ster for the Soviet Union i as for Poland, for East-relations, and all peoples. lato members were called react, she believed they do so "far more quickly, vely and appropriately after Afghanistan". Mrs ner was not specific, but usisted that "there must use of force from any

Prime Minister, who was sing the Diplomatic and onwealth Writers' Assoother member countries

Vhiteball it was explained ter rebuke was intended esident Giscard d'Estaing ance, who in a recent ew suggested that Britain ying to change the rules EEC "in the middle of me" and that 1981 would a "year of truth" for

re membership. Thatcher did not intend provocative, it as said. the made clear she de to rise to the challf the Community", and idermine it, by working lat she called a better e of policies. the Soviet Union, Mrs er made clear that the

nion of her recent letter ident Brezhnev was not to convey any lessening deliberately used the

word Odnowa, (meaning)
tal renewal", when nott Soviet military activity Poland had never been

'absurd and dangerous" communist suggestions that Western countries had interfered in Poland. She said that Nato and EEC partners had made clear that they "would not interfere in any way. We have not done

To the "brave people" of Poland, Mrs Thatcher counselled caution. She hoped they would be "given a chance to find the path which they seek to a future of their own choosing. For them these are diffi-cult days in which they will need to exercise wisdom, need to exercise wisdom, steadiness and realism.".

Mrs Thatcher also mentioned her forthcoming visits to India, Saudi Arabia and Guif states, noting expressly that Britain of any to rebuff "too much ming of each other's and good faith" by unspeech was her challenge to her EEC partners.
Facing the Polish crisis, she said EEC countries must coor-

dinate foreign policy — "we must both be resolute and be seen to be resolute". But for the Community to be a viable and worthwhile organization, its common policies "must be applied in a behave the common policies between the common policies common policies "must be applied in a behave the common policies to the common applied in a balanced way and its members must be prepared to take a balanced view of each other's problems

In a passage said in White-hall to be directed not at Herr Helmut Schmidt, the West German Chancellor, but at President Giscard d'Estaing and M Jacques Chirac, the Gaullist presidential candidate, she went on: "I am not sure that this has always been so of late. There has been too much depression too little hope; too much questioning of each other's motives and good

"The fact is that people in other countries are no more entitled to query our commit-

to ensure that, when Com-munity policies are negotiated, our interests, like theirs, are properly served."

Mrs Thatcher said the EEC was "at a crossroads" on such issues at reform of the budget and the common agricultural policy, and a joint effort was nceded.

She said that it could not be a "healthy basis for long-term development" for Britain and

development" for Britain and West Germany—last year and probably again this year—to be the only net contributors to the EFC budget.

She added: "I want a Community in which each and every member state will accept its responsibilities towards the others, secure in the knowledge that its own interests will be respected."

Mrs Thatcher had remarks

Mrs Thatcher had remarks of warm admiration for India. It was, she said, the scene of one of the most exciting of all stories of national development, but "to read some accounts you would think there were pro-blems and nothing else". She added: "The disturbances

which sometimes capture the headlines certainly happen. But are there fewer in other areas of similar size and and population?" She called for perspective, and spoke of the immense reservoir of affection and good will for Britain

On the Gulf countries Mrs.
Thatcher acknowledged that
Britain had been "not as active
as we should have been " after
the troop withdrawal of 1971.

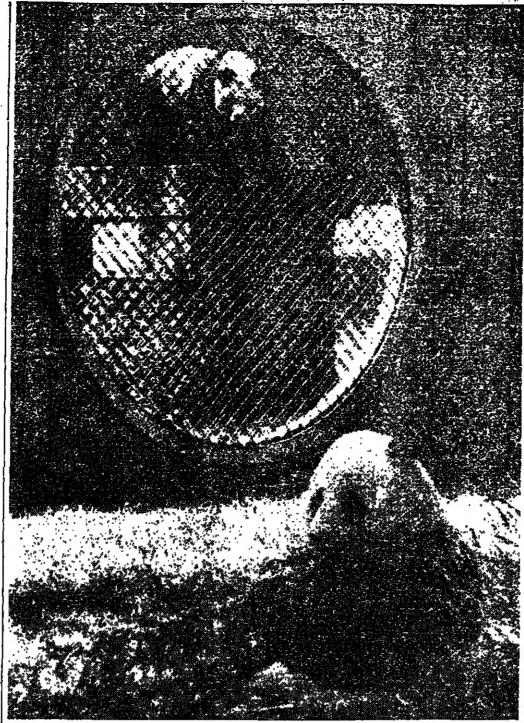
Proceedings of 1971. But that period was over now, with Britain again "active and energetic in the Gulf".

While not seeking to reintroduce troops, and making no

reference to British support for the proposed American Rapid Deployment Force, Mrs Thatcher promised arms and training belp.

This was in stark contrast to partnership with the Gulf

Style under fire, page 7



Courtship time: Ling-Ling, Washington Zoo's female panda peers into the enclosure in Washington containing Chia-Chia, London Zoo's male panda, with whom it is hoped she will mate.

#### Mr du Cann walks into a storm on Budget report

By David Blake

MPs seeking to dissociate themselves from a highly critical report on the Chancellor's Budget strategy yesterday destroyed the fragile unity of the Commons Treasury select committee.

Despite the fact that the committee had called a press conference, there was at one stage more MPs on their feet challenging the report than journalists able to ask ques-

tions.

Mr Edward du Cann, chairman of the committee, had arrived at the press conference with a report, which had technically been passed unanimously, challenging Government claims that the Chancellor's measures in the Budget cellor's measures in the Budget were "not contractionary" But many members of the committee were not at all happy with the report's general conclusions.

A clearly distressed Mr du Cann said it was unlikely that they would be making any further reports on the general economic situation in the near future. He rejected suggestions that the committee's internal divisions would weaken its

authority.

But government ministers are likely to feel they have nothing to fear from the report when it is considered during the second reading debate on Bill

Committee members disagreed strongly with each other and on occasion with themselves as they rushed to put their own gloss on the report. Mr Michael English been written by "a monetarist"
and one by "a crank". He had to get adopted
Although the report is critical of the overall thrust of govhad accepted both in committee. ernment policy it does contain

current spending relatively unscathed. "Irrespective of what: monetary policy and the Govpolitical view is taken about ernment's decision not to ex-

in capital spending relative to current expenditure should be balted; the report said. This part of the report had the general agreement of com-mittee members, six of whom are Conservative, four Labour are Conservative, four Labour,

and one Liberal.

The second point, the general thrust of economic policy, was at the centre of the dispute. The report as finally approved contains a blunt attack on recent speeches by Mr Nigel Lawson, the Financial Secretary to the Treasury.

Mr Lawson claimed that attacks on the Budget were misdirected because they failed to understand that it allowed money supply to rise faster and one Liberal.

money supply to rise faster than inflation, thus leaving room for growth.
Mr Terence Higgins, Conser-

vative, said at the press con-ference that it was not clear to committee members why this should lead to higher growth rather than faster inflation. The report also says that claims that the Budget will not be contractionary are "unconvinc-ing" and that it was hard to discern any short-term reasons

to expect sustained recovery
The whole thrust of this argument was attacked during committee meetings by Mr Anthony Beaumont-Dark and Mr Jock
Bruce-Gardyne, two Conservative members who sought removal of most of the passages
critical of government economic
policy for being tough.
Mr Beaumont-Dark was particularly application bits defense

ticularly explicit in his defence of the Government at the press conference, emphasizing his commitment to a series of amendments to the report which he had unsuccessfully

had accepted both in committee. ernment policy it does contain

The report makes two main a number of favourable repoints. The first is that govern- marks, usually in the form of ment spending cuts have been self-congratulation that some of too heavily concentrated on its earlier recommendations public investment and have left have been accepted. This is overall public spending as a tend its commitment to mone-proportion of GDP", the decline tary targets beyond 1983-4.

#### her enthusiasm for the force during and after her visit to President Reagan in February. Now she said that she would visit the Gulf "to learn but intense in the eight ment to the Community than since that process we are to query theirs. The Fwidently referring to same rules and principles apply to them as apply to us. Our slovak Communist Party commitment is just as firm as also to belp forward Britain's ss, she said: "We have theirs, idied with concern what "But it is no more blind or uncritical than theirs. We are Thatcher denied as no less determined than they

Staff n leaders said last night pional strikes by staff in anches of high street were now "inevitable"

executive of the Bank-surance and Finance (Bifu) will decide on when to call a 24-hour hich could involve more 100 staff in the big proon and is also expected for a ballot of all its clerical members on they are prepared to

Federation of London Bank Employers firmly resisted by the union that its 10 per cent pay offer be increased. The emwho have already won ent for the offer from 00-strong Clearing Bank also told Bifu nego-that they intended to

ter breakdown of pay talks

ink union strikes 'inevitable'

Most staff will get the inpional strikes by staff in crease in their May salary anches of high street cheques, but Mr Leif Mills, were now "inevitable" general secretary of Eifu. said that if the employers did implement the offer "the balloon will go up ".

He accused the employers of "arrogance" during the negotiations. "They seemed oblivious to the consequences of their action, although some of them seemed almost to relish the idea of a confrontation," he

The union had originally made a 20 per cent pay claim, although it was prepared to settle for about 12 per cent. Mr Mills said that he believed that the employers had adopted a strategy which was designed to weaken Bifu and increase its rivalry with the non TUC-affil-iated Clearing Bank Union.

The employers, who denied adopting an "arrogant" atti-tude, said that there would be no improvement on the offer even if industrial action took

selected areas, which include cities and large towns in the north, the Midlands, and west country, have indicated in a ballot their willingness to take industrial action.

About 1,600 members of the union who work in the Access credit card centre at Southend are also voting on whether to join the action and it is possible that staff in the Trustee Sayings Banks might also join the action later.

The two groups are not covered by the agreement for 175,000 clerical workers in the five main clearing banks, but they maintain a traditional pay link with the staff.

Mr Mills said it would be monstrous" if the employers imposed the 10 per cent increase, particularly in view of the fact that the CBU had no members in two of the banks, Midland and Williams and Glyn's. He forecast a hostile reaction from his members if that happened.

#### Police anger at report on assault inquiries Ey Peter Evans

Home Affairs Correspondent Police reacted strongly Labour Party's civil liberties vectorday to the Home Office down a question for Mr William. Research Unit alleging "serious defects" in the way assault asking him to publish the complaints against the Merrocomplaints against the Merro-politum Police are investigated, mind about making any changes in the way serious complaints as calls were made for its publication.

of the Police Federation, said be was "furious" that the Home Office had not told it of the report and Sir. David McNee, the Metropolitan Police Commissioner, challenged the reports findings. "All allegations of assault are meticulously investigated", he said.

investigated", he said.
Chief Supt John Keyte,
secretary of the Police Superintendents' Association, questioned how qualified the
research unit staff were to
look into methods of investigation by police. Robert Kilroy-Silk,



Labour MP for Ormskirk and chairman of the Parliamentary

Kilfoy-buk also referred to deaths in police custody, the subject of an inquiry last year by the House of Commons Home Affairs Select Committee. It found no evidence to support generalized accusations of police brutality towards people in custody; bur it wanted less secrecy surrounding the invesrigation of complaints against the police, including the way in which the Director of Public Prosecutions reaches his decision whether to prosecute.

Mr Kilroy-Silk said that in the light of the reply from Mr Whitelaw and the report in The Times he would be raising at the select committee whether it was necessary to reexamine in detail the deaths in custody mentioned in evidence to it.

The Home Office said that the article contained extracts from an uncompleted research study which began in 1978 into ways in which the Metropolitan Police dealt with complaints from black and white complainants. The study was intended to compare two years, 1973 and 1978, before and after the establishment of the Police Compare two pairs. blishment of the Police Com-

plaints Board.
"The research was commissioned by the Police Department of the Home Office with the full cooperation of the Commissioner and on completion will be the subject of discus-Continued on page 2, col 3

#### Doctors revise way of establishing British brain death criteria in the field and the Department "If it will finally help to

of Health and Social Security.

in the autumn, after being put to the colleges conference in

will probably be introduced

The medical royal colleges are to revise the way doctors apply the British criteria for establishing brain death, after

life-support system was turned

They would have to applied by two consultants, instead of, as at present two doctors, one a consultant or his immediate deputy.

In addition, a check-sheet setting out the tests to be applied would be introduced so that the results could be recorded and kept with the

patient's records. Professor Gordon Robson, secretary of the conference of the medical royal colleges, is to draw up the amended guidance, in consultation with specialists

subject.

Three changes seem almost certain to be adopted. The tests in future would have to the repeated, after a suitable time lag of up to 24 hours.

"The criteria have spood the "The criteria have stood the test of time since 1976 and all the publicity since the programme. The conference is satisfied that there is no need to revise them. What has emerged is that both among the medical profession and among the public there was room for possible disquier about the way the stood of the public there was room for possible disquier about the way the stood of the same test of the criteria are actually applied.

"At present the tests are often repeated anyway, and if organs are to be taken for transplant the surgeon has in any case to satisfy himself that the tests have been carried out properly and the criteria met.

restore confidence in criteria, however, it seems sensinle to lay down when the tests should be repeated and to provide a check-list to demon-strate that they have all been carried out.

" It is these changes we shall

The royal colleges, together are also to look at better ways of informing doctors about the criteria. The check-list would help in that respect.

One factor that has emerged since the Panorama programme is that many doctors still do not know the criteria in detail. Doctors at the United Kingdom transplant centre in Bris-tol, for example, were amazed to discover that of eight candi-dates from Bristel hospitals about to take membership of the Royal College of Physicians, qualification needed to hecome a consultant, none could describe the tests in full.

#### **Outlook** is better for space launch From Michael Leapman

Cape Canaveral, April 8. The outlook has improved for a punctual launching of the first space shuttle on Friday. Engineers worked during a "hold" period in the countdown to put it only a few minutes behind schedule. It bad fallen nearly 12 hours behind because of snags which had developed since it began on Sunday night. There are still 16 hours of hold time available

to deal with other problems denly looks better, too: according to Mr William Schick, the shuttle test director.
"It's not ideal, but it's progressing in the direction than

looks like being acceptable on Friday and Saturday." The two astronauts, Commander John Young and Captain Robert Crippen, expressed confidence that the launching would be on time when they

arrived wearing sky-blue flying suits at Patrick Air Force Base souts at Fatrick Air Force Base near here today.

A Friday launching "sure looks good", Commander Young said. "Bob and I are about ready to fly this thing."

Officials greeting them wore blue pads on their mouths and tine to guard against infection

ency, the shuttle needs winds that must not exceed 10 mph that must not exceed 10 mph. Forecasters had feared that a cold front moving across the country would produce unfavourable conditions, but it now seems to be going north and may avoid Florida. The weather at the landing

site, a dry lake at Edwards Force Base in Colifor has to be taken into a Mr Schick said it so right so far. If condition that impossible to Jan the shuttle will be div the White Sands missile in New Mexico. The fi due to last 541 hours.

#### real town-real value Office buildings in the town centre Greyfriars House, 160000 sq ft of

offices above the new bus station. Belgrave House, 14660 sq ft forming part of the Grosvenor Shopping Centre. Castle -House, 26700 sq ft in a prime position. Woodlands House, 9300 sq ft of prestige offices. Other properties 300 to 10000 sq ft.

Office sites in Northampton In the town centre an important site of 3.5 acres for a development up to 300000 sq ft. One site for 4500 sq ft and two sites for 30000 sq ft. At Weston Favell District Centre a site for up to 100000 sq ft.

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## P barred ter charge

entary Correspondent lonald Brown, Labour Edinburgh, Leith, was yesterday by the yesterday by the or "gross discourtesy hair". He was ordered c Chamber after MPs nanimously for his sus-

the rules of the Mr Brown must remain ed for five sitting days be allowed to resume next Wednesday, icident developed when m, one of the MPs who t in the controversial Afghanistan, accused holas Fairbairn, QC, General for Scotland. 3 when answering a

ing to two newspaper e. Mr Brown had asked it was true that they viously been charged Prevention of

ed to resume his seat, inued to shout at Mr a. "Why should the deny it and lie to own left the Chamber final shout: "So much

mentary report, page 8

#### **Democrats on** course for big membership

The Social Democrats expect to announce today an initial membership of 12,000. The actual response to the party's launching is being kept a close secret until today's news conference, but interim figures are said to be on course for the ambitious end-April target of between 30.000 and 50.000 members. The SDP announcement will heighten the party's effort to create its own identity, distinct from the Liberals, but members accept that Mr David Steel, the Liberal leader. must be given something to take to his party conference

#### Lebanon truce clash

Lebanese Christian leaders have rejected Syrian conditions for a ceasefire and put forward their own terms. The Syrians consider the Christian town of Zahle and the Bekha valley as important for their defence against Israel Page 5

#### English teams struggle The chances of Liverpool and Ipswich Town contesting European football finals receded in their semi-final first leg home matches. Liverpool were hold 0-0 by Bayern Munich in the European Cup and Invited their Calanta calls 1-0 in Ipswich could best Cologne only 1-0 in the Uria Cup

#### Pressure to refer bid for Royal Bank grows

The Government is coming under growing pressure to refer the Hongkong & Shanghai Banking Corporations £500m bid for the Royal Bank of Scotland to the Monopolites Commission. Bank of England officials are unsure of what action to take, if any, and the Bank is uncertain of the grounds on which it can oppose the proposed takeover Page 17

## Reagan threat charge A man arrested carrying a gun at a New York bus terminal has been charged with threatening to kill President Reagan. Officials said there was no evidence to link the 23-year-old man, Edward Richardson, with John Hinckley who shot the President last week Page 7

Romanians defect Three leading Romanian symnastic trainers, including the coach of the 1976 Olympic gold medal winner. Nadia Comaneci, have defected to the United States, where they hope to continue their careers. Their decision is understood to have been based on unhappiness with state interference with teaching methods, rather than on ideological differences Page 5

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## SDP on course Approval for 30,000 membership

An initial membership of about 12,000 is exepcted to be proudly announced today by the

The actual response to the party's launching two weeks ago is being kept a close secret until today's news conference. But what are called the "interim" figures, fed to subscription computers, are said to be on course for the ambitious end-April target of between 30,000 and 50,000 members.

So far only about ten days' membership responses have been analysed.

The SDP announcement will again heighten the party's effort to create its own identity, distinct from the Liberals.

The Liberals scored yesterday with their own welcome for a sometime Labour defector. He is Lord Mais, a former Lord Mayor of London, who sat as a Labour peer until becoming a crossbeacher in 1979.

He said yesterday he looked forward to cooperation with the Social Democrats but said it was essential for the Liberals to enter discussion in "as much strength as possible".

Last night there were still reby the majority of the steering committee to be rushed into joint negotiations with the

By George Clark
Political Correspondent
The "semi-fascist views"
heing propagated by a Conservative organization in West
London calling itself Tory

Action were attacked last night by Mr Roy Hattersley, Labour MP for Birmingham, Spark-brook, and Opposition spokes-man on Home Office affairs,

when he addressed a Greater London Council meeting in London Council election meet-

Giving an early indication

that it is going to be a rough election campaign. Mr Hatters-ley accused the Conservatives of attempting to stir racial hatred and called on Mrs Margaret Thatcher and Mr

William Whitelaw, Home Secre-

tary, to denounce the activities of the action group.

Mr Hattersley said the Tories'

manifesto for the election con-

centrated solely on attacking what they called the "extremist" and "Marxist" elements dominating London Labour

These diversionary tactics

ing in Lewisham.

Hattersley challenge

Mr Steel publicly expressed his "frustration" yesterday, but refused to see it as a setback for his proposed alliance

at the next elecetion. In a speech at the National Chamber of Trade in London he said, of a possible future coalition government: "The sooner we are seen to be conducting such preparations the better

He added: "we do not have a leisurely three years in which to construct an alliance. The bard reality is that the steps we take in the next six months will determine whether or not the challenge we mount at the next general election will prove

There is little reason to doubt that the SDP's Gang of Four leaders agree with him.

But, as Mr Steel noted on the BBC's World at One programme, they had not yet been able to carry colleagues with them. He said such problems were understandable "teething

troubles."

Even the least enthusiastic Social Democrat MPs accept that Mr Steel must be given something to take to his party conference this year.

Details of the next phase of the SDP recruiting drive, the party's proposed local organization on a county and metropolitan borough basis, as well as its first regular newsletter.

Liberals.
Some Social Democrat MPs as its first regular newsletter, are expected to be given at now believe they have put off today's news conference by Mr for many months the sort of William Rodgers, one of the formal negotiations on policy four joint leaders. Tory group provokes

the Tory Action organization,

"whose language and policies bear a marked resemblance to the utterings of the National Front and similar bodies".

It had declared its dedication

to removing "evil influences" within the Cabinet. "These evil influences", Mr Hattersley said.

appear to be anyone who is unwilling to espouse the view

that the Tory Government should immediately respond to the 'swamping' lears of the 'native population' and should start a vigorous programme of

repatriation, and defend British

Mr Hattersley said the Tory Central Office would probably try to dismiss Tory Action as

a group of insignificant cranks. But such completency would

the book was used.

The clerics of the Church of England, Lord Cranborne said, had brought about the beginnings of the slow strangulation of one of England's greatest

church estates commissioner, accepted that in 1974 the church Common Prayer should

of posters in London bearing the message "Keep out of the Red. It's better with the Con-

carry the same force for many people today.

Decisions on the form of service were to be jointly agreed between the incumbent and the parochial church council. That was the safe-

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## for prayer book debate

By Hugh Noyes Parliamentary Correspondent

Government pressure, including a suggestion by the Prime Minister that MPs might feel they were constitutionally they were constitutionally bound to support the Synod of the Church of England, failed to persuade the Commons yesterday to reject a Bill aimed at encouraging greater use of the form of service of the 1662 Book of Common Prayer.

The controversial issue, which has been rumbling away in parliamentary and synodical circles for a number of years, came into the open yesterday when Lord Cranborne, Conservative MP for Dorset, South, introduced the Prayer Book Protection Bill in the Commons under the 10-minute rule pro-cedure, while a similar measure came before the House of Lords, initiated by Lord Sudeley.

Lord Cranborne was given leave to bring in his Bill by 152 votes to 130, a majority of 22. It provides that in incumbent must hold at least one service a month according to the 1662 rites if he is petitioned to do so by 20 persons on the parochial roll.

There was unusual interest for a ten-minute rule Bill as Lord Cranborne contended that it was not Parliament but the Church of England that was in danger of breaching the 1974 concordat under which it was settled that the initiative in legislation should come from the vood and not from the House of Commons.

That concordat, he said, was made with conditions and the Archbishop of Canterbury at the time had stared that it was not a measure for abolishing the Book of Common Prayer and that it gave the book a secure place which could be altered only by Parliament. But many people were finding it impossible to find a service in which the book are used.

literary glories.

Defending the church's position, Mr William van Straubenzee, Conservative MP for Wokingham, and the second had asked that the Book of tinue to be enshrined in law. No concession was wrested from unwilling clerics. It was inconceivable then as it was today that such a glorious heritage should be abolished, either by Church or

State.

However, the language of Cranmer and the sixteenth century reformers did not ignore their alignment with the newly formed. Tory back-benchers' immigration group. Meanwhile, the Conservative Party reported to the police the deliberate defacement

, guard.

#### Government to question 27 authorities

## Councils blacklisted over home sales

Planning Reporter

The Government is to question 27 local authorities in England and Wales about their records in implementing the Housing Act, 1980, which gave council tenants the right to buy their homes.

The councils are Barking, Barnsley, Bolsover, Bristol, Camden Carlisle, Crawley, Camden, Doncaster, Hackney, Hull, Leeds, Leicester, Manchester, Mid-Lambeth, Lewisham. dlesbrough, Newham, Sheffield, Stoke on Trent, Sunderland, Thamesdown, Wakefield, Wal-sall, Waltham Forest and Wolverhampton.

The Government estimates that, in the first 20 months of its office, some 118,000 houses and flats were sold to tenants. In the first 12 weeks after the right-to-buy legislation took effect last October, more than 100,000 applications were received by local authorities.

Although it has drawn up a and in Sheffield, where problacklist of those authorities which it believes to be dragging their feet, the Department of the Environment says that re-turns are still being compiled, and it is not ready to release defailed records.

Among councils believed to

have been most active in promoting sales are Berwick-upon-Tweed, Bromley, Nortingham, Taunton Deane and York There is no clear division be-tween Labour authorities in large cities and towns and Conservative councils in the suburbs and the countryside, partly because in suburban and rural areas there is a smaller stock of council housing which many Conservative authorities

are reluctant to lose.

The department has based its blacklist on the number of complaints received from frustrated tenants. Among the most flagrant examples of obstruction were in Lambert, where pplication forms' were impounded by council staff, application

purchasers spective warned quently decided to reself their Recently Mr Stanley said houses the council would refuse that intervention was no longer mortgages to would be houses if they subsemortgages to would-be buyers.

Mr John Stanley, Minister for Housing and Construction, described Sheffield's action as blatant scaremongering". It is understood that both councils have now agreed to comply with the law, although doubts remain over Sheffield's plan to recruit two officials whose function, it is said, will be to point out to tenants the disadvantages of

Whether local authority objections are political or practical, the Government is determined to implement what it has described as the biggest move towards a property-owning democracy.

Mr Stanley, Mrs Margaret hatcher and Mr Michael Thatcher and Heseltine, Secretary of State for the Environment, have all made it clear that the Govern-

proment will not hesitate to use were its reserve powers of intervention if necessary.

merely a threat but a pos-sibility. Councils had had long enough to show whether they were implementing the law

with sufficient speed. He was not prepared to see people subjected to endiess obstruction, intolerable delay and mounting personal anxiety. Neither was he prepared to see democratic rights set at nought by undemocratic and politically motivated obstruc-

The right of tenants to buy their homes at the valuation obtaining on August 8 last is confined to applications sub-mitted before April 1 this year. Future applications will be determined on current market value, as assessed by the district valuer, less discounts depending on length of resi-

## chiefs h back at criticisn

By Peter Hennessy hir back last night a cal report from Sir Henley. . Comptroll Auditor-General, Pa spending and efficien dog, which claimed that many Whitehal ments were failing to: internal payments, tr

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Sir Douglas draws in randum. It was not true ti officials in his minis to appreciate the imp internal audit. Nor vengaged on the wor

in professionalism. Appearing jointly committee with Sir James Hamilton, secretary to the Department

felt similarly about his Sir Douglas declined he had on Monday, memorandum was to be drawn into nar and bad departments. Sir Brian and Sir . their departments added to the Mi Defence which was from the general str Sir Douglas's memor Monday by Sir Anthor son, second perman-tary responsible Treasury's public ser

Education and Science

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tute, Mr Plowden say fession of senior civi remains as exclusive : that it excludes othe ence.
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#### Manifesto gr attacks Mr E

night by the Manifesto right-wing Labour MPs After a Commons me Giles Radice (Chester-k the group chairman, sa divisive of Mr Benn to a a campaign so far ahea

#### Census killing gun link with other attacks From Christopher Thomas Some census enumerators

The gun used to kill Mrs Joanna Mathers while she was collecting census forms in Lon-donderry on Tuesday night is known to have been used at least twice before by the Pro-visional IRA.

Forensic scientists have iden-tified the builet fired at point-blank range into Mrs Mathers's blank range into Mrs Mathers's neck as coming from a weapon used in two IRA punishment shootings in the past year. But the IRA continues to deny involvement, and its London-derry wing described the murder as the work of people "frantically attempting to discredit the election campaign of hunger striker Bobby Sands".

The Jrish National Liberation

The Irish National Liberation Army also denied involvement.
Police evidence, however,
seems to point conclusively to
involvement by the IRA or one of the other republican groups.

There have been several instances of census collectors in Londonderry and in Cookstown and Omagh, co Tyrone, being ordered at gunnoing to being ordered at gunpoint to hand over forms.

The murder of Mrs Mathers,

aged 29, who has a son, Shane, seed two.. raises serious worries about the collection of the small number of forms outstanding in

RTE, the radio and television

Journalists to relax section

31 of the Broadcasting Autho-

rity Act, which prohibits interviews with members of pro-scribed organizations.

general, told the union that

there was no choice but to abide by the law. But he gave an assurance that the views of the condidates in the election

would be presented fairly and

The election is a straight fight between Mr Sands and Mr Harold West, of the Official

Mr George Waters, director-

Some census enumerators have resigned.

There was widespread condemnation of the murder throughout the province yesterday. The Roman Catholic Bishop of Derry, Dr Edward Daly, said it was "sickening, revolting and horrible".

The Very Rev Jack Weir, the Presbyterian minister who will conduct the funeral today in Donagheady, on Tyrone, said in Donagheady, co Tyrone, said that the whole community felt shame at the killing. "It is easy to condemn the killer and not to ask how far our own prejudices and batted have

played a part in creating the situation where this happens."

The Church of Ireland Bishop of Derry, Dr James Mehaffey, described it as one of the most cold-blooded and despicable deeds in all of Ireland's years of misery. It illustrated how bankrupt of ideas and any shred of Christian compassion were those who carried out campaigns of violence and hatred and those who supported them. Mrs Mathers was collecting a

form from a house in Anderson Crescent, in the Waterside area of the city, when the gunman came up the front path and shot her. She broke away from the masked man and ran into the house, where she died.

#### Residents insist they do exist

By a Staff Reporter Several areas missed in last Sunday's census were identified only after telephone calls the Office or ropulation tion he plans to resign after Censuses and Surveys from residents alarmed by the threat of a £50 fine. organization in the Irish Republic, yesterday rejected an appeal from the National Union

The office, which took five years to plan the census at a cost of £50m, said areas missed included three streets in Fratton. Portsmouth, a road in Hollesley, Suffolk, and a housing estate in Fostington Wood, Kent.

The trouble arose because the enumeration areas overlapped or because maps were out of date. Most of the areas have now received the forms.

The 103,000 enumerators faced angry dogs, seese, goars and buils. There was hardly an area where someone had not a campaign so far been bitten, an official said. party conference.

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Aberdeen, SW Scotland, Glasgow, Central Highlands, N. Ireland: Occasional rain in places at first, becoming mostly dry with sunny intervals; wind S., light; max temp 12' to 14°C [54' to 57°F).

Outlook for tomorrow and Sat-

urday: Mustiv dry at first with sunny intervals after overnight for patches. Some rain in the lar NW and also on Saturday over S

Mr Wedgwood Benn

## Union threat on Polaris work

servatives ".

within the Tory Party itself", substituting the word "rotten" he said. He went on to describe for "better".

Labour Reporter
The Civil Service unions last night threatened to intensify their pay dispute with national action if Navy personnel were used to do essential maintenance and supply work on a Polaris submarine which would normally be done by their members.

A deadline for the unions to

agree to do the work on HMS
Resolution, which is expected
to arrive at the CoulportFasiane complex on the Clyde
in the next few days, has been extended until noon today.

Commodore George Vallings, the senior officer at the base, asked the 55 strikers to return could be resupplied in readiness for setting out to sea again. So far the unions have refused but more talks are to be held this

Management Correspondent

Industrialists are being

urged to thwart the civil servants' dispute by paying their taxes direct to the Government.

Confederation of British Indus-try, the Association of British Chambers of Commerce and the Institute of Directors advising

Letters are being sent by the

By Patricia Tisdall

the programme of selective strikes, said last night that its 40 regional strike centres had been "put on alert". If the Ministry of Defence moved in Navy personnel there would be

retalizatory strikes on a national scale which would not be costricted to defence.

In another more, the unions called out staff at the Composite Signals Organization centre at Brora, in Sutherland, which feeds intelligence information to the Government Communications Headquarters at Chelten-

ham.

The 48-hour strike at Brora is the latest in a series of walknut in the Government's intelligence gathering network.

Effects of the civil servants' action, which is in its fifth week, are also being felt in other areas. The Department of

nauld, near Glasgow.

More racial contingency
plans are being prepared by
other business groups. Mr Ron
Sansom, director of the Contractors' Plant Association and

a member of the CBI council, is drawing up a suggestion that the CBI itself could act as a

forwarding centre for tax pay-

The Council of Civil Service Trade announced last night that Unions, which is coordinating the trade figures, due to be the programme of selective published next Wednesday, had been postponed indefinitely.
The strike by data processors at the Customs and Excise computer centre at Southend has meant that information on imports and exports has not been processed. It will take

some time to produce the figures after the dispute ends figures after the dispute ends because of the backlog of statistics.

Union negotiators representing 540.000 white-collar local authority workers were told by the period between the regist of a period between the register of a period between the employers last night that they could not entertain a 13.2 per cent pay claim linked to improvements in holidays and

other conditions.

The employers made no offer but put forward suggestions for changes in some of the pay scales which the unions are to consider.

Inc number of cases ucan with, 7.416, was similar to the 1979 figure of 7.358.

Apart from formal disciplinary charges, 1.294 complaints, about 8.5 per cent of the total, and to the officer concerned.

other conditions.

Many husiness organizations,

however, are reluctant to pub-

licize details of their plans partly because of fear of coun-ter-moves by the Civil Service unions and partly because the

precise instructions are still

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led to the officer concerned Industrialists told to break the strike being given suitable advice or a warning by a senior officer.
The board received about three hundred letters from comaccounts offices at Shipley, near Bradford, and at Cumber-nauld, near Glasgow.

More racial contingency ciation agreed unanimously yesterday that member firms should cooperate fully with the Government in breaking the plainants expressing dissatisfaction

> example where the complainant's real interest was in his claim for compensation the source of dissatisfaction was the limitation on the board's Report of the Police Complaints
> Board, 1980 (House of Commons
> Paper, 239, Stationery Office; 23, Leading article, page 15
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> Leading article, page 15

"In some instances, for

#### IRA advised against legal challenge on Sands ban From a Staff Reporter Mr Sands's election agent has Belfast been granted extra visits to the Provisional Sing Fein was advised yesterday that it had not eaten for more than a no legal remedy to compet the month, is in the hospital wing.

two weeks.

without bias.

Mrs Joanna Mathers and her son, Shane, aged two.

Delay over

complaints

By Peter Evans Home Affairs Correspondent

rise in the average time taken by the police to submit cases

by the police to submit table to us", its annual report says.

The five forces which on the longest ex-

average took the longest ex-plained that in some cases

plained that in some cases there were local considerations, the board saw no good reason for the overall trend and said the situation was un-

satisfactory,
The average time taken by
the board to complete action
on a case submitted to it fell
from 26 days in 1979 to just

period between the recipt of

complaint by the police and the submission of the report to the board was 177 days.

satisfactory,

police

The time taken by some police forces to investigate pub-Government to allow Mr Rubert Sands, the IRA hunger striker, address might that if he wins the electric striker. lic complaints was criticized yesterday by the Police Complaints Board.
"This was the third succeson television. sive year in which there was a

Mr Sands, who is serving 14 years at the Maze high-security prison near Belfast for possession of firearms, is a candidate in the Fermanagh and South Tyrone by-election today. He was denied access to tele-

vision by the Northern Ireland Office. Lawyers for Mr Sands had honed they could mount a last-minute legal challenge to the decision because of the provisions of the Representation of the People Act, which says broadcusters must observe strict impartiality between candidates.

Four people have been named by Mr Sands as his spokesmen. They are being interviewed on television both north and south of the border.

## National Trust buvs disputed

Sale Room Correspondent
The squabble between the
National Gullery and the
National Trust for possession of

tax liabilities into account, the price paid by the National Trust is 1300,000, of which Sotheby's

## Bellotto painting

## By Geraldine Norman

of Verona" by Bernardo Belof the latter. The painting will remain at Powis Castle.

The sale has been negotiated by Sotheby's on behalf of the trustees of the Powis Castle estate. The open-market valuation set on the painting was \$2700,000 but, taking discounted

Today

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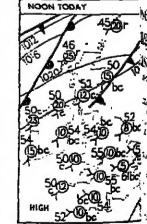
Pressure will be high over the British Isles, but weak troughs will cross Scotland.

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SE, Central S, E and SW Eng-WEATHER REPORTS YESTERDAY MIDDAY : c, cloud ; d. drizzle ;

Britain, Warm.



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1.000 millibars=29.53in.

Overseas selling prices

#### Mr Foot speaks of fury on Tory policies

By Our Labour Staff
The TUC's campaign against povernment economic policies had shown that there was "fury up and down the country at what is happening". Mr Michael Foot, Leader of the Opposition, told a trade union rally in ondon ytsterday. He detected no mood of

despair among protesting trade unionists. "Indeed I believe it is a mood of determination to throw out this Government Earlier, Mr Wedgwood Benn said that the miners had shown us the way" by their resistance to coal industry cash limits. There was a need for a "powerful alliance" between the Labour Party and trade

Scotlish stoppage: A two bour called by engineering unions in Scotland, had been widely observed, officials said (the Press Association reports).

#### Mr Pym voices optimism

PAYE payments despite the The national council of stoppages at the PAYE the chamber of commerce asso-

over economy By Our Political Staff

Without venturing an opinion on the timing of the expected upturn in the economy, Mr Francis Pym, Chancellor of the Duchy of Lancaster and Leader of the House of Commons, said yesterday that there are grounds for reasoned optimism. "I believe the dark clouds have been allowed to brood overhead far too long," he told liamentary Press Gallery lunch-

There were many areas where mitted to the Police Complaints there was room for optimism Board who also have power to and cause for confidence.

Mr Pym mentioned the reduction in the rate of inflation, the greater responsibility in

pay bargaining and a sharp reduction in the number of days strike yesterday in protest lost through strikes; together against government policies, with the fact that, although there had been cuts in spending programmes, the Government guards". Sir David said. had been prepared to help those most in need.

#### McNee assurance on inquiries Continued from page 1 sion with him. The question of

being completed.

publication will also be con-sidered at that stage."

In a statement, Sir David McNee said the Metropolitan Police had not seen the report by the research unit.

allegations of assault by police are meticulously investigated and the reports are required to be submitted to the Director of Public Prosecutions who may, if he so wishes, require further information or other witnesses to be interviewed. "All complaints are sub-

made, if desired, and may direct that disciplinary proceedings be instituted.

"Instructions require that any prisoner complaining of assault, or showing sign of injury, must be seen by a doctor. These are very substantial safe-"At the same time, it must The working party on March be recognized that as police 18 rejected a proposal by the

ask for jurther inquiry to be

officers are often the subject Police Complaints Board for the el malicious complaints and they are entitled to the same protection of the law as other people accused of offences. The public may be assured that unnecessary force is not tolerated within the Metropolitan Police, and any officer acting in such a way puts his career at risk."

Mr Jardine, whose federation

represents officers up to the rank of chief inspector, said: "I am absolutely turinus that the Home Office has not been in touch with us to let us know anything about this Mr Jardine was a member of the Home Office working party

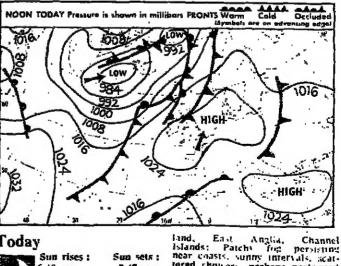
which examined a proposal to establish an independent ele-ment in the investigation of complaints against the police. If we had known about the report, I would have wanted to know what was in it. Nobedy could ever say whether it would have affected the decision."

use of a special task force of seconded officers to strengthen methods of investigating com-plaints against the police of causing serious injury. The task force, the board said, should be answerable to some one other than a police officer. Saying it was a shock that the details had come out now, Mr Jardine added: "We are wondering if the Home Secre-

tary has seen it " Why the Home Office failed to tell members, like Mr Jar-dine and Mr Keyte, of its own vorking party of the report when it sent a draft copy to the Police Complaints Board was not fully explained yesterday. Mr James Dance, secretary of the board, said the report was of an uncompleted study and was not expected to see the light of day now. In answer to my question, he said that the board had reveived a draft

of the report " a matter of weeks ago Leading article, page 15

## Weather forecast and recording



Forecasts for 6 am to midnight : London Midlands E and W. S Wales: Early fog patches, sunny intervals and scattered showers.

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Diana Geddes
Jation Correspondent
oposals for a student loan
have been dropped by oposats for a student loan me have been dropped by Government because of the cost that would be intended in the short term. The grament's long-awaited ment on the subject is to take in the Commons next

ne decision to shelve the osals indefinitely was a by a Cabinet subcommittast week after it had coned a paper outlining the bility of introducing a me similar to that operated weden. It was designed in first instance to replace by the contributions that nts above a certain income are supposed to pay rd their children's student

e abolition of the parental ribution has long been a a close to the heart of Mr les Boyson, the minister onsible for higher educaand chief advocate within Government of a student scheme; but it would cost estimated £100m, and that id not be repaid for many

le Government is expected ake clear that it considers a scheme has many attracd but that more resources ion; that effectively means the scheme does not stand rance within the lifetime is government.

be delayed until after the ion on Tuesday of the new ident of the Federation of the reduction of the reducti

e contentious issue that led he rift was the right-wing on's decision to support the of student loans, while left wing and the rest of student movement were

abandonment is expected to harm the right wing's chance of success in the union's presidential elections.

The Government has still not

the Government has still not decided on the level of next year's maintenance grants for students. But the increase is expected to be kept well below the rise needed to keep pace with inflation probably to between 6 and 9 per cent. An interdepartmental work-

An interdepartmental working party's proposals for radical changes in the present chaotic range of financial support for 16 to 19-year-olds have been all but killed after fierce opposition from Mr James Prior, Secretary of State for Employment. But the Cabiner subcommittee which considered the proposals which considered the proposals has agreed to review them again in six months:

The proposals which had the strong backing of education ministers, would have involved paying single, flat-rate benefit of \$4.75 a week for all people aged 16 to 19 who are not in full-time jobs, equivalent to the full-time jobs, equivalent to the child benefit at present paid to parents with children in full-time education up to the age of 19. In addition there would be a means-tested supplement up to a maximum equal to the level of social security benefit for an unemployed school-leaver of £15.25 for those aged 16 to 17 and £19.20 for those

aged 18 or over.

The scheme was designed to have cost no more than the total

ident of the Federation of servative students. The ration at present is split seen the left wing, whose stare not that dissimilar to a of the Social Democrats, the right wing, which has the union for the past year in aggressively flamboyant ner.

Secontentious issue that led students are the young unemployed on Youth Opportunities Programme schemes, who are paid £23.50 a week. An estimated 400,000 people aged 16 to 19 are expected to benefit from the scheme next year at a cost of nearly £200m. nearly £200m.

There have been many com-plaints about the unfairness of the present system under which young people studying the same subjects in the same classes paiguing hard against loans. receive between nothing and is announcement of the £23.50 a week.



The Beast tamed: Police getting a line on Mr Dodd's car in Fleet Street, London, yesterday.

### How The Beast, cruising speed 250 mph, was foiled by London traffic

By David Nicholson-Lord Yesterday went rather badly for Mr John Dodd. Apart from facing an injunction sought by Rolls-Royce for allegedly taking their name in vain, his journey to the High Court in London was severely, and conspicuously,

disrupted, The object responsible was a miracle of modern engineering known as The Beast, a 27-litre motor car powered by a Second World War sircraft engine. Custom-built with loving care, it cruises happily at speeds of 250 mph and more, is valued at

Yesterday, however, it did the grille. unthinkable. It broke down.

at least three times, fall from grace began at Epsom, when Mr Dodd, aged 48, who owns an automatic gearbox business, left home

marvels such as a built-in fire point, according to Mr. Daniel After being towed somewhat manifolds than one can count, Mr. Dodd who was following in ignominiously up and down The Beast also displays the the back-up vehicle, The Beast Fleet Street several times, The

£100,000 and costs £1,100 to Rolls-Royce "Spirit of Ecstasy" began to experience overheat-insure.

Yesterday, however, it did the anthinkable. It broke down to be precise, it broke down at least three times, The sad saga of The Beast's fall from grace began at Epson, when Mr Dodd, aged 48, who when Mr Dodd, aged 48, who swins an automatic gearbox business, left home

As well as sundry other repairs to an oil filter. At this

The Beast ground to a halt Shortly afterwards Shortly batteries, with electric fuelpump complications, intervened.

Beast was found a quieter rest-ing-place round the corner Here Mr Taylor stood guard, patiently explaining The Beast's many wonders The Beast would shortly have

a new cooling system installed, and he blamed rhe London traffic and stop-start driving.
At the High Court, meanwhile, Mr Dodd's solicitor promised that the car would be described as The Beast, not as a Rolls-Royce, and gave an undertaking that it would not be used or exhibited in public pending a further hearing

Suicide figures up 5 per cent

Suicides in England and Wales rose by 5 per cent to 1,051 in the second quarter of 1980, compared with 1,003 in the same period in 1979, according to figures published vesterday by the Office of Population Censuses and Sur-

There was an increase in polsoning by women and hanging by men.

#### Triad gang sentenced after reign of terror

From Our Correspondent

A Chinese gang brought terror to the Chinese owners of restaurants, shops and houses in the north of England, Preston Crown Court was told yesterday.
During raids they armed themselves with knives, metal bars, an axe, a meat chopper, chisels and rope and wore stocking masks.

As the attacks reached epidemic proportions a squad of Lancashire detectives smashed the movement, which was based on the Hongkong triad organization.

The court heard that between November 1979 and March last year the gang stole cash and property worth about £10,000. Mr Richard Henriques, for the prosecution, said that during the grobbers at Hadfield Derby. one robbery at Hadfield, Derby-shire, a Chinese couple and their daughter, aged 17, were asleep when men smashed into

The girl's socks were forced into her mouth and her parents were bound, gagged and blindfolded and made to kneel. The father tried to grab a knife held by one of the gang and an artery in his right hand was slashed.

The arrest of the gang came after the robbery of a Chinese restaurant owner in Blackpool. Police Constable Paul O'Conno? who was born in Hongkong, helped detectives by translating the Cantonese dialect during in-terviews, Mr Henriques said.

All nine of the gang were born in Hongkong and were said to be part of a Manchesterbased secret society known as Wo Sing Wo. Mr Henriques described them as an offshoot of the triad movement

The gang, six from Manchester, two from London and one from Guernsey, admitted charges involving robbery, conspiracy to rob, assault and burglary.

Eight received ranging from five years' jail to borstal training. The other, said to have given exceptional assistance to police with the real fear that retribution could follow, was given a suspended

## lans ready for rival igher education body

scal authorities have comed their rival plans for a onal body to coordinate, onalize and control the finng of higher education in maintained sector, which hope to submit to the crument by the end of this

proposals will be deved in talks with the Governtover the next few weeks. Government was taken k by the fierce opposition which leaked reports of wn more radical proposals met and it is anxious to b some kind of accommoda. with local authorities on contentious issue before the government elections on

e Government's proposals, aked, entailed the removal local authority control and riship of some 70 instituwith more than 70 per of students on degree or is advanced courses. In tion it planned to establish tional body (on which the suthorities would have no t voice) to fund, administer control those institutions, her with 30 other directt institutions of higher edu-

n in the public sector. der the still confidential authority plans, which been approved by the ers of the Council for Local ation Authorities but have to go before the cistion of Metropolitan torities' policy committee y, institutions would re-

eacher loses job

r punching

er in the face.

headmaster

Our Correspondent

head of department at one

ritain's largest comprehen-

schools was yesterday dis-ed for punching his head-

Michael Primarolo, head

humanities at Hartcliffe oil, Bristol, which has 1,800 is, was found guilty of ss misconduct by a lal disciplinary panel of

education committee. Primarolo, aged 32, admit-

hitting Mr John Simpson,

, headmaster, causing a od that needed six stitches.

e has been suspended on

pay since December. It took

meetings of the school gov-

rs, and two of the disciplin-

panel, to decide that he

t happened during a dispute

main in local authority owner-

ship.
The national body, on which there would be a strong local authority presence, would plan and fund all higher education in more than 400 maintained colleges; no mention is made

of direct-grant institutions.
The funds required for higher levying contributions from each local education authority on a formula basis similar to the existing pooling arrangements for bigher education in the public

sector.
The level of funding would between the Secretary of State and the local authority associations in the same way as the overall government grant to

Under the Government's proposals, the national body would receive funds direct from Gov-ernment after "bargaining" with the Government in much the same way as the University Grants Committee does for the university sector; local authorities would have no say at all.

While the local authorities' national body would clearly be much weaker than that proposed by the Government, it would have some important

It would, for example, be empowered to provide funds for an institution for specific academic programmes, and only after those programmes had been individually approved by it. Earmarked funds would be channelled through the main-taining local authority.

A psychiatrist who visited a prisoner hours before he died at Winson Green Jail, Birming-

ham, told an inquest yesterday that he had found Barry

Mr Prosser was discovered lying face down on a mattress on the floor of his special cell

and the inquest was told on

Tuesday that he had been

seriously assaulted.
Dr Henry Lautch told the
Birmingham Coroner's Court

yesterday that he had been

yesternay triar he had been treating Mr Prosser, aged 32, for more than two years for a hypomanic condition which was aggravated by drinking.

Bur when he saw him in the prison hospital wing on the

prison hospital wing on the afternoon of August 18 last

year he did not appear to be disturbed and made no com-

The coroner has been told

plaints about his treatment.

Prosser cheerful and elated.

Prison cell death inquest

told of doctor's visit

#### Care project for the

handicapped By Pat Healy Social Services Correspondent
Lifetime care for mentally
handicapped adults whose
parents have died or can no
longer care for them is to be

offered under a new scheme launchd yesterday by the National Society for Mentally Handicapped Children and Adults.

Parents will be encouraged to leave the society their homes or part of their estate in return for a guaranted home in the community for their children.

The scheme has arisen both from the concern of aging parents about what will happen to their adult mentally handicapped children and because successive governments have failed to provide enough accommodation.

Mr Gerald Sanctuary, legal adviser and director of regional and local affairs, said yesterday that 97 mentally handicapped people in the Stroud district of Gloucestershire were known to be living at home with parnts aged 75 or more. In Somerset there were at

least 80.
The first home will open in Bristol, probably in July, with the help of a local housing association. It will house about seven mentally bandicapped adults, who will be provided with education and training A second project is to open for eight moderately to severely mentally handicapped people in th London borough of Lambeth

n November. Negotiations are in hand for a third project in Derbyshire, and Sir George Young, Parlia-mentary Under-Secretary of State for Health and Social Security, hinted yesterday that Central Government grants Central might be available.

The society emphasized that local authorities would be paying the fees of the residents, but the scheme would speed the provision of homes in the community.

that an entry in the prison hos-

pital records made early that evening described Mr Prosser

as having gone berserk, hallu

cinating and thinking that he was being beaten to death.

stomach ruptured, his gullet

Prosser was found with

perforated

him for trial.

bruises

Early the next morning Mr

Two pathologists agreed on

Tuesday that those injuries could not have been self-

inflicted and they concluded that Mr Prosser, who lived at

Sedgley, West Midlands, had

died as a result of violence from one or more people. In February, Mr Melvyn Jackson, a senior prison officer,

was cleared of killing Mr

Prosser after a stipendiary magistrate ruled that there was insufficient evidence to commit

## Union makes orchestra strike official

By Our Music Reporter The threatened strike by the orchestra at the English National Opera over the dismissal of five players, was declared official by the executive of the Musicians' Union yesterday. The musicians plan to stop work after Saturday night's

performance.
The five, all members of the wind section, have received any easier."
notices of dismissal which take The management felt that

effect at the end of June. The management at the London Coliseum believes the playing of the five is no longer of a high enough standard, but the orchestra disagrees.

. Mr Richard Mantle, personnel director of the ENO, said: "Some of the players have been in the orchestra a long That does not make it

provement in the orchestra. When the plan was first dis-closed, the musicians went through an agreed procedure of discussion about the notices. Mr Thomas Higgins, the Musicians' Union steward in the orchestra, said yesterday that eventually the players had voted by more than five to one against the management's pro-



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#### ords decision may hinder ar on copyright pirates

Stewart Tendler

te Reporter he battle by the film and rd industries against the vright pirates may be serily hindered by a House of ds decision yesterday which d make it difficult to reach manufacturers of pirated and cassettes.

irate products have been wing with the increasing use tape recorders and video sette machines. The "black ustry" is thought to be millions of pounds. o far this year between ty and forty dealers have

n investigated and produced

4,000 cassettes; but the main thrust of the battle must be against those who obtain master tapes and produce the copies. For some time both the film and record industries have been using a High Court order, known as the Anton Piller order, which allows them to search and seize material from dealers. The orders can also include a requirement for the

dealer to disclose its source and But yesterday the Lords ruled that dealers do not have to disclose this information. Law Report, page 9

Marx cemetery sale will safeguard visits

By a Staff Reporter
Highgate Cemetery in London, the burial ground that houses the bones of Karl Marx, George Eliot and Michael Faraday, has been sold for 250. Pinemarsh Ltd, which bave bought the 37-acre size, said that the sale should ensure that the normally closed western section would still be open on certain

On Easter Sunday visitors will be able to see the western section which houses the family graves of the Rossetti and Dickens families (though not that of Charles) and other Victorian luminaries.

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#### Labour rift in Yorkshire

## Scargill 'hit list' aims to keep out the moderates

has been called a "hit list" of about a dozen constituencies in South Yorkshire and parts of West Yorkshire is under con-

Mr Arthur Scargill, Yorkshire area president of the National Union of Mineworkers and a dedicated left-winger, has and a dedicated lett-winger, has made it clear that the miners will be looking at coalfield seats, not merely the five constituencies of Barnsley, Dearne Valley, Hemsworth, Normanton and Don Valley occupied by MFs sponsored by miners.

His announcement that Mr Kevin Barron, a Maltby mine-worker, is to be nominated for candidature in the Rother Valley constituency when its re-selection conference takes place next month is an indication that it is not idle chatter. Rother Valley is held by Mr Peter Hardy, a former schoolmaster, sponsored by the National Union of Public Employees, with a Labour majority of 26,002.

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Other constituencies said to be under scrutiny are Ponte-fract and Castleford, held by Mr Geoffrey Lofthouse, a former personnel madager: Penistone, held by Mr Allen McKay, a former National Coal Board industrial relations officer; Pewsbury, held by Mr David Ginsburg, a former market research consultant: Rotherbam, held by Mr Stanley Crowther, a former journalist; Wakefield, held by Mr Walter Harrison, a former foreman electrician; and Doncaster, held by Mr Harold Walker, a former congineer.

ongineer.

Of the five MPs sponsored by miners, only Mr Michael Welsh, of Don Valley, is likely to measure up to the left-wing requirements of the miners. The rest, Mr Roy Mason, Barnsley; Mr Edwin Wainwright, Dearne Valley: Mr Albert Roberts, Normanton; and Mr Alec Woodall, Hemsworth, are moderates who at some time or

other have incurred the wrath of the Yorkshire area miners' council by ignoring its dictates on how they should vote on a variety of parliamentary issues in general and on the Labour Party leader election in par-

ticular.

Mr Scargill has described such MPs as "prima donnas" apparently wanting the privilege of sponsorship and demanding the "luxury of independence". Such people, in Mr Scargill's view, should stand as independents.

The increase in political act-

stand as independents.

The increase in political activity by Yorkshire miners owes its impetus to Mr Scargill. In his presidential address to his approach to the following last annual council meeting last conference takes place."

month he called for an intensification of efforts in the politication tical sphere and said there was no intention of concentrating miner in office is Mr Jack on industrial matters.

The miners are not alone in increasing political activity.

Other unions with distinct leftwing attitudes such as Nupe,
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Labour Party. He prefers to Association of Scientific. Technical and Managerial Staffs socialist society here and conand the Union of Construction, Allied Trades and Technicians are seeking affiliation of increasing numbers to constituency Labour parties in parts of Yorkshire, but it is on the miners that they are basing their strategy.

obtaining as many delegates as possible on general ment committees, and using the

Mr Scargill, who was not available for comment this week, has, however, made his responsible it has been recognized that there is a tradi-in accordance with the rules tion going right back to Watt in accordance with the rules Party they have nothing to fear. He says: "On the other hand, saying nothing for fear of what Parl if MPs blatantly ignore or dis- jeopardizing chances of reselection."

'These MPs are prima donnas, wanting the -Moves by Yorkshire miners privilege of sponsorship and demanding the for replace moderate Labour MPs with candidates more in sympathy with the left-wing attitudes of the new party hierarchy are under way. What luxury of independence . . . If they disregard

tion, all except Mr Albert Roberts, of Normanton, who will be 75 at the time of the

Mr Roberts says he is aware, as are all the other MPs I spoke to, of secret strategy

meetings and caucus meetings where miners' delegates on

general management commit-

tees discuss policy and lines of

"appalled" at the actions of Mr Scargill. He said: "I have

always been in favour of miners

being well organized and pro-

perly represented but not at the expense of secret meetings behind our backs and not tell-ing us what is going on. It is ethically wrong. Councillor Edward Thompson,

secretary of the Normanton constituency Labour Party, says

the miners have taken all eight trade union seats on the party's executive committee and although they have taken their

options on delegates they still do not have control, except

when it comes to purely trade

union decisions.

Mr Thompson says he has had 10 applications from left-

ving unions for affiliation of

branches to the constituency party. He is demanding names

and addresses of members to be affiliated to check on numbers

of delegates claimed. That has been a point of controversy in

the Barnsley constituency party, and is the subject of a

Labour Party inquiry. Union branches may only affiliate members to a constituency party if they live in that con-

In the Dearne Valley con-stituency the left moved in at

the recent annual meeting to-

secure the prime posts—of chairman and vice-chairman. Nine of the 10-member execu-

tive union are miners.
.In the Wakefield constituency, Mr L. Clarke, constituency party secretary, a moderate, says: "We have had a left wing but so far every-body has been solidly behind

the sitting MP but I have the

feeling something is afoor. I hesitate to say what. The hairs at the back of my neck are rising but I have no evidence." Pontefract and Castleford will

Ponterract and Castletoru with have its first miners' caucus, meeting before the next meeting of the general management committee. Mr Roy Widdowson, secretary, refused to discount of the con-

cuss the situation in the con-stituency until he had spoken

to the constituency party, but the former secretary, Mr John Walsh, a moderate who has

recently been elected miners; union agent for North York-shire, said he did not know of a "hit list" as such.

The attitude of existing MPs is that if an MP is doing his

job and satisfying his con-stituents, he should not be re-moved. If any section of the party works purely and simply

within the constitution, nobody

can complain, but attempts to move MPs to fit in with sec-tarian views are wrong. MPs

sponsored by miners have addi-

tional difficulties in that they

union council, obey the dictates

of the annual party conference,

take heed of the annual national

union conference and listen to

executive. Conflict invariably arises

between those four areas on such matters as the Common

Market or nuclear development where an MP finds it impos-

sible to suit everybody so votes

which way he considers appro-

priate and under the new pro-

cedures runs the risk of losing nomination. As one MP put it:

you would be a puppet and look

what Parliament would be rele-

If you tried to suit everybody

the Yorkshire area miners

Roberts says he

next general election.



Mr Wainwright: Trouble in Dearne Valley



Mr Roberts: Defiant in



in Hemsworth

Barnsley may be regarded as the best example of takeover Brown, a community education worker, who is vice-chairman of because I insist we create a solidate here before we start expanding internationally.".

Mr Brown, who claims to represent "most of the left wing in Barnvley, gives two reasons withere has been a left-wing revival: "It was organized on a national basis and the basic That consists of affiliating drive was that this time we are sufficient union members living going to make sure that the Labour Party becomes what it should be, a party of equality manage- and social change.

"This time if we are going weight of numbers to out to fail it will be on socialism moderates.

Mr Scargill, who was not available for comment this been an educative process and the social services are social services. Mr Wedgwood Benn is largely

Most MPs in the coalfield are

#### Trade union code remote, says Lord Hailsham

By Donald Macuntyre Labour Reporter

The prospect of a new statu-tory code of trade union rights appeared remote last night after evidence by Lord Hail-sham of St Marylebone, Lord Chancellor, to the Commons Select Committee on Employment

In the clearest hint yet from a senior minister that further comprehensive legislation on trade union immunities is unlikely in the lifetime of the present Government, Lord Hailsham said he did nont believe there was "sufficient political consensus" for such a code.

The idea of a clear legal statement of trade union rights is proposed as one option in the Government's Green Paper on Immunities which has been strongly criticized by the TUC and on which the Government has invited consultations.

Lord Hailsham said that while a "marximalist or comprehensive approach" might have been preferred if trade union legislation was being union legislation was being approached anew, the decision taken in 1979 (before the Employment Act) to deal "with the minimum considered necessary to right the more serious wrongs" had not been taken unadvisedly. "It should now be pursued as a policy", he added.

The Lord Chancellor saids The Lord Chancellor salos that this "pragmatic approach" had to be qualified. The Government was already at risk from lingation in the Strasbourg Court of Human Rights on the closed shop "and potential" as regards other tiall as regards matters ".

Lord Hailsham made it clear that he believed British would have to be amended to take account of any Strasbourg decision.

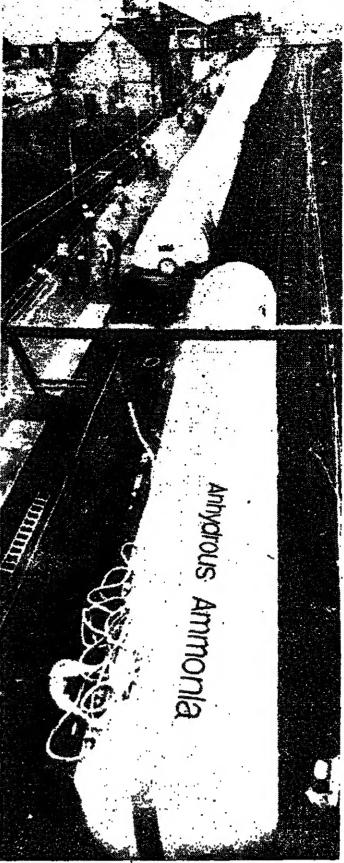
Secondly, he said: "If exist-ing rights or immunities are abused either to the detriment of individuals, groups or the public, Parliament will demagd that they be modified and public opinion will support the demand?

However discussion should, "at any rate for the time being, concentrate on individual issues and remedies".

issues and remedies".

Lord Hailsham said that he approached the Green Paper with a "strong prejudice against the formulation of a code of rights". Although he had favoured one before 1971, he believed "the opportunity had been missed

A statement of rights trade unions would probably be unacceptable without a corres-ponding statement of obligations, and there was not sufficient public consensus for such a code.



Tanker derailment: The scene outside Hadfield Station. Derbyshire, yesterday, when 30 families were warned to stand by to leave their homes after a train carrying 15 tankers of ammonia was derailed. One tanker was leaking and its contents were transferred to another under the supervision of firemen. No one was affected by the fumes. The train was travelling from Merseyside to Barton-upon-Humber, Humberside. The Sheffield Manchester line may be closed would the weekend because of the derailment.

#### Savoy Hotel killer chose In brief prostitute at random Belfast airport

A man booked a room at the Dr Brian O'Connell, a psyhe could kill a prostitute who was unknown to him, Mr Justice Payne was told at the Central Criminal Court yesterday. Tony Marriott, aged 22, from Horsham, West Sussex, then carried out the "totally premeditated" killing of Miss Catherine Russell, aged 27, in room 853 on October 1 last year, Mr Michael Coombe, for

the prosecution, said.

Miss Russell, a masseuse with convictions for prostitution, was stabbed 35 times and Mr. Marriott, who admitted hav-ing an aversion to normal sex, later attempted suicide with one of two knives he had

bought for the occasion, Mr Coombe told the court that it was a curious and bizarre story. Mr Marriott had conceived the idea some considerable time before and had previously come near to engag-ing a prostitute to kill her in

Mr Marriott, of Highland Avenue. Horsham, pleaded not guilty to murder but his plea of guilty to manslaughter by reason of diminished responsibility was accepted.

Mr Justice Payne sent him to Broadmoor Hospital for an unlimited time.

suffering from a psychopathic disorder which led to abnormally aggressive hehaviour. Mr Roger Henderson, for the defence, said he had been painfully shy all his life and had few friends.

Mr Marriott had been a salesman for a cycle company in north London but was unemployed at the time.

Mr Marriott had written his account of what he had done and began by saying that the killing was "totally premedikilling was "totally pre tated", Mr Coombe said.

After the killing, Mr Marriott left the Savoy wearing bloodstained clothes and went by taxi to the President Hotel. But he had left his diary and finger-prints behind. " Having arrived at the Prest-

dent Hotel, he cut his wrists" He travelled to Southerd but, meanwhile, a description was circulated by police. At about 6 pm, the licensee

of a Southend public house noticed him in his bar. He saw on television a report of the killing and a description of the wanted man and called the Mr James Locke, the publi-can, was praised by the judge.

Five men fined for wine label fraud

Kon Buttell, aged 51, sales manager, of Mitchim, Surrey, and James Morrison, aged 45,

shipping manager and stock controller, of Colchester, Essex, were fined £100 each.

clerk, of Tattenham Corner,

Epsom, Surrey, had denied one charge of conspiring to con-

travene a section of the Trade Descriptions Act. The prose-cution offered no evidence and

Richard Tooth, aged 60, the

## strike ends airport was settled yesterday

and flights resumed last night. Agreement with the 200 ground staff workers was reached after three hours of talks. They had walked out at midnight on Sunday in a dispute over conditions attached to a 9 per cent pay

Bacardi dispute over An out of court settlement

was announced yesterday in the dispute involving Bacardi and dispute involving Bacardi and Courage, the brewer, which had been serving Dry Cane in reponse to requests for Bacardi ". Courage has agreed not to supply any other drink if Bacardi is asked for without an explanation to and the assent of the customer.

Boxer elects trial

John L. Gardner, aged 27 the European heavyweight boxing champion, elected trial by jury when he appeared before Highbury magistrates yester-day and was committed to Snareshronk crown court, charged with failing to pay for £10 of peirol at a service station.

Foot-and-mouth tests

Tests on sheep suspected of having foot-and-mouth disease will be completed today. The animals, which are kept on a farm at Tregynin, Powys, are expected to be cleared. Restrictions connected with the disease in Jersey were lifted

Shut cinema is listed Mr Nicholas Edwards, Secre-tary of State for Wales, has

effectively preempted his own verdict on a planning appeal by agreeing to list The Carlton, a being of historic and architec-

BL taxis recalled

BL Cars is recalling \$.000 FX4 taxis in the United Kingdom for free replacement of the steering drop arm with a strengthened version. Only vehicles built since July, 1977, are affected.

100.000th ticket sold Donald Sinden, the actor,

vesterday handed over the 100,000th ticket sold from the half-price London theatre ticket booth in Leicester Square since it opened last December.

Petrol tax protest

The RAC yesterday started a campaign attacking the Government's tax increases on petrol and vehicles. Drivers are being urged to protest to their MPs.

Death penalty move The Government of the Irish Republic yesterday refused to

## Philippines opposition. brand Marcos poll 'a complete farc

Manila, April 8.—President ordered an inquiry into Marcos of the Philippines today affair and called a meet the KBL for April 14 to claimed a landslide victory in yesterday's constitutional referendum; but the opposition branded the poll a "complete farce" and threatened to boycott the June 7 presidential elections which the referendum

united Democratic Opposition (Unido) leaders alleged that the Government had engaged in widespread cheating. engaged in widesplead cheating to yote-buying and tampering to gain the 80 per cent "yes" yote in unofficial returns so

Unido said Mr Cesar Climaco, the governor of Zamboanga City, had confiscated "complete manufactured election returns" for the western Mindanao region in southern Philippines. Five bundles of prepared re-turns had been seized, it was claimed, and suspects detained included people affiliated with President Marcos's New Society

President Marcos's New Society
Party (KBL).
Mr Climaco asked the Unido
leadership to "alert the entire
nation since the same dirty
tricks are being perpetrated throughout the country to perpetuate one-man rule and make Marcos President-for-life". President Marcos today

nate him as its president didate for June 7.

In a letter to the Comp on Elections President said he wanted to "i upon everyone that the will not tolerate violators

election code irrespect political affiliation". With about 25 per c unofficial returns in, the vote won in nine out national regions, while Unido-recommended " no won in Bicol in southern and northern and so

Mindanao. The approval rate was as 99 per cent in the m Cagayan Valley, 97 per the Ilocos home region o dent Marcos, and 78 per southern Tagalog. What particularly hur

was the 85 per cent "y Manila, traditionally an tion stronghold where th a strong campaign for re The amended cous gives President Marcos: another six years in offi sweeping arrest and powers.—Agence France

#### Prince drives | Hazards o and press have to go

Auckland, April 8. — The press was prevented from covering part of Prince Charles's tour of New Zealand Charles's tour of New Zealand today when photographers ran in front of a 50-ton lorry he was driving during a visit to the Upper Waitaki Power Development Project.

When the Prince got into the lorry and drove it, photographers ran in front to get into the prince when he proget

pictures. Later, when he posed on the steps of the lorry, he

wrong thing—I do admit that.
It was not done maliciously."
—AP.

working breakfasts

Nelson, New Zealand 8,-Mr Robert Muldon 8.—Mr Robert Muldon
Prime Minister, spoke
day against "working fasts", recalling one t
had with Mr Edmund I the former American Se of State. Mr Muldoon described

ing breakfasts as an all.; He told a breakfast r

organized by New 2 booksellers of a similar re had had with Mr Musk looked upset, and was heard to say: "This is stupid."

Mr Max Smith, a government engineer, said he gave the order to keep the press away from the Prince. "I did the was experience for me. He light structure of the structure of job shortly afterwards, shows what working bre can do for you."—Reut

#### Divorce controversy split ruling party in Spain From Harry Debelius tion of matrimonial fail

Mudrid. April 8

A split between conservative and progressive factions of Spain's ruling Centre Democratic Union, provoked by a demand for party discipline in the vote on a proposed divorce divorced. As divorced. As forms of le government-sponsored Bill was approved last night by the Lower House of Parliament.

Pleased at the passage of the proposed law, Señor Francisco

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Fernandez Ordonez, the Minister of Justice, acknowledged that a storm was already brewing in the Senate over it.

Bill to be amended considerably party's conservatives are stronger and where party discipline will not be imposed. It is not expected to become law months, considering its expected rough passage in the Senate and the eventual need to negotiate its terms in a somewhat more conservative form in the Lower House.

Señor Fernandez Ordoñez, a leader of the Social Democratic wing, suid: "Any setback to this law, whether through the lengthening of the period of required separation or the unnecessary complication of the procedures . . . would mean a dangerous sten backwards, which would only serve to add to the expense, hitterness and insecurity of those who want to resolve their anguishing situaa civilized way."

The proposed law will it possible, for the firssince the days of the Re-nverthrown by the late ( Franco, for Spaniards divorced. At present, the forms of legal recognit a broken marriage are ments granted by the Catholic Church and

The ruling party's W ally opposes the Bill, said its passage: "We kept because of discipline, but Senate we will amend whapproved here." He was ring to a pact betwee opposing factions whic, posed party discipline i Lower House but not

Senate. Opposition to the pro divorce law within the Democratic Union became intense in recent week the Spanish Church his adopted a firm stand a

The text approved be deputies, is hardly character in proposal subby Senor Fernandez Or Among other things, it pri for the possibility of contested divorce by applying for a separation annulment to ecclesit authorities to transfer cases to civil courts.

Corpses pile u

as California

cemetery strik

San Francisco. April 8

to families waiting to bury

have been accumulating undertakers around San

Cisco since 130 members of Cemetery Workers and Gag,

cemetery strike has hundertakers to store to

dead.
Chemically preserved M

#### Grenade blasts Delhi envoy's Kampala office

From Our Correspondent Nairobi, April 8

Two people were slightly Injured when a hand grenade exploded today at the Indian High Commission prince in central Kampula. Troops cordoned off the building. It is not known whether the attack was made by one of the

guerrilla groups operating in Uganda, but it raised tension in It may have been intended to deter Asians from accepting President Obote's invitation to

Attendants union struck

"Everybody seems to
we just dig a hole and
away". Mr William Chap
the union business man
aid. "But when it gets" ceturn and take back property down to it, we do some seized when former President and gruesome work, and Amin expelled them in 1972.

olive branch to India

#### down to it, we do some not paid enough for it Chinese leader tenders an

From David Bonavia

Mr Deng Maoping, rust in age of the Deputy Chairman of the Chin-be "an issue be "an issue Mr Deng criticized the So Mr Deng criticized the So ese Communist Party, has offered India unconditional talks on the restoration of goodneighbourly relations.

In a meeting with an Indian countries or against Mrs C parliamentary leader today. Mr. Deng dismissed the prospect of another border war with India. in Cambodia, "Our troops cannot cross Tibet because of the lack of oxygen," he said, according to informed Indian sources. "We do not have many troops and we also do not see any threat from your

side to China.
Mr Deng told Mr Subraman-

He stood by China's disapper of India's annexation of Sil-Peking, April 8 of India's annexation and Mr Deng Niaoping. First in 1975, but said it need

Union and Vietnam, but appendix did not express this full bitterness against in dhi for her recognition of pro-Soviet Heng Samria 165 Mr Deng's remarks were

garded as the most concil statement by any Chini-leader since the Shoofad border war of 1962. He has vited a parliamentary tion from India to visit Chi

iant Swamy, leader of the Jan-ata party, that Sino-Indian bor-der problem; could be solved through "repeated discussion". and the Gulf".

## More stray pets because of recession, RSPCA says

Animal welfare campaigners said yesterday that there were more stray dogs and cats and the same number of cats because of the recession. were destroyed. Mr David Wilkins, deputy thief veterinary officer of the Royal Society for the Prevention of Cruelty to Animals, said: "The problem has hecome more acute as the reces-

He told a press conference in

sion has become deeper."

#### £220.000 award for boy over hospital error

London that about a million apathy. It has done nothing."

A child who was given an overdose of anaesthetic by error during a minor operation drunk ar times during the was awarded 2220,000 damages Second World War was desand interest in the High Court yesterday.

Liam Connolly, aged five, had needed 24-hour care since the error at University College! Hospital. London, in 1976 when hury was untruthful. he was 17 days old, Mr Justice Comyn said. He had been a normal.

operation on his penis had caused brain damage, reducing him to a severely mentally abpormal child. Liability had been admitted Winston's drinking must by Camden and Islington Area impaired his capabilities.

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Health Authority.

#### Churchill drink allegation preposterous An allegation that Sir Win-

Every year there were some

One of the greatest contri-

30,000 stray and unwanted dogs

butors is the ease with which .

people can buy kittens and pup-

has a remarkable record of

pies. I think the Governme

in London alone.

ston Churchill was paralytically cribed as preposterous yesterday by his grandson. Mr Winston Churchill, Con-

servative MP for Streetford, said Federation of Fnotball Sup-the suggestion by Lord Ave porters Clubs had instituted " I would be glad to know of any evidence to substantiate a

Searthy baby, but the "massive vile and malicious allegation sale of tickets north of the anaesthetic overdose" administ a man who cannot border because of serious tered during a straightforward answer buck." Lord Avebury, who made the allegation at an international . conference on alcoholism in division chairman, said an Liverpool on Monday, said Sir application would be made "for

#### puppies and a million kittens trai Criminal Court was told false accounting, were born in Britain each year vesterday. Paul Bohane, aged 46, company about half a million dogs: The men bought appellation pany director, of Culverden were born in Britain each year and about half a million dogs

controlle and declassified wines from the same area of France and blended them. Mr David Tudor-Price aid for the pros-ocution. The wines were then given appellation controllé

Football Association over the

allocation of tickets for the England-Scotland match on May 23 will be heard at Westminson

23 will be heard at Westminster County Court next Tuesday.

The FA received notification

at its offices in Lancaster Gate, London, yesterday that the Scottish division of the National

legal proceedings under the Race Relations Act, 1976.

trouble at the past two Wem-

Mr Charles Bent, Scottish

bley internationals

The association banned the

Five men from a respectable Cattley company, all admitted firm of wine importers put conspiring to contravene a sec-false lanels on bottles of in- tion of the Trade Descriptions

Park, Tonbridge, Kent, his brother. Austin Bohane, aged 69, chairman and managing direcfudor-Price aid for the pros-scutton. The wines were then given appellation controlle director, of Thames Ditton, abels.

The five, from the Mason of 1500.

#### he was discharged. Court to rule on Scottish Moonies act to keep their ticket ban by the FA tax-free status The legal challenge by Scot- to give Scots, or people living

The Unification Church, land's soccer supporters to the in Scotland, the same opporknown as the Moonies, yestertunity to acquire such tickets day called for a meeting with free status.

> licket. He said his organization had tried for two years to get the FA to meet them to discuss tickets. It now had a fighting fund to cover court costs.

> tary, said earlier that the FA

wanted the fixture to continue

and to control public order but

it had not been possible to

which would qualify him for a Mr Ted Croker, FA secre

as other people".

Mr Bent, aged 32, a careers officer from Hamilton, Lanark-Charity Commissioners in an attempt to keep their taxshire, said he intended to be The submission comes after at the match come what may He was obtaining ticket stubs the announcement by the commissioners on Tuesday that from three recent England Internationals at Wembley they would reconsider last week's decision not to investi-

gate the sect's charitable status. Mr David Fraser Harris, speaking for the Moonies, said yesterday that the sect had written to the commissioners asking for a meeting, He said: "We want to put

our point of view to them. There is no harm in reconsidering, but in depth, please. What we are worried about is Winston's drinking must have an interim order restraining allow the march to proceed as that it could be a shallow hear-impaired his capabilities.

the FA from distributing it had on the past two occa-ing which would lead to a missions.

Bernard Levin, page 14 tickets on a basis which fails sions. ing which would lead to a misback on attempt in the Dail to abolish hanging.

## nes oppo Complete liberation of King Husain larcos Lebanon demanded reaffirms Omplete by Christian leaders layed to right-wing leade put forth their own term

in eirut, April 8

Lebanese right-wing forces ghring Syrian troops of the rab peacekeeping force today injected Syrian terms for a sessire, and put forward their was terms. However, a ceasere ordered by President Elias efficial radio at 30-minute terrals and after several ours the fighting began to sub-de on the so-called green line ividing Beirur into Muslim and hristian sectors.

Syrian tanks and artillery red shells into the Christian was of Zahle, with a population of 200,000 which has been ader Syrian siege for eight igs. A resident reached by lephone said he and his mily of five had been living the basement since the ashes began.

"We have no water or elecicity, food supplies are ifficult to come by and a guoded man with us is dying ecause we cannot belp him." Syrian forces were mooping p right-wing militias in the ills surrounding Zahle. The illitias, in turn, have been selling Syrian positions in the ide Bekaa valley with their while guns, mortars and super-

herman tanks. The rightists for the second as shelled the town of Shtoura, the main Beirut-Damascus and where the general com-Of land beadquarters of the

> The Syrian ceasefire condi-lons were presented to Presi-ent Sarkis yesterday at a meet-ing with Mr Abdul Halim haddam, the Syrian Poreign finister. They were later re-

layed to right-wing leaders who put forth their own terms.

Government officials in Beirut said that despite their apparent willingness to accept a truce, neither Syria nor the Lebanese rightists were prepared to compromise. Syria has made it clear that Zahle and the entire Bekaa valley are important for its security and defence against Israel.

Lebanese Christian leaders, on the other hand, insist on the total evacuation of Syrian and Palestinian forces from

the total evacuation of Syrian and Palestinian forces from Lebanon. "This is a struggle for the liberation of all of Lebanon and we are not prepared to accept anything short of this," Mr Bachir Gemayel, the commander of the rightwing Christian forces said.

Mr Camille Chamoun, a former President and another

Christian leader, supported Gemayel's demand and added that a United Nations force should replace the Syrians in Lebange.

Lebanon.
President Sarkis today received Mr Brian Urquhart, assistant to Dr Kurt Waldheim, the United Nations Secretary. the United Nations Secretary-General, but it was not clear whether they discussed Mr Chamoun's demand. M Hubert Argod, a special emissary of President Giscard d'Estaing, was leaving Beirut

d'Estaing, was leaving Beirut today with a message from President Sarkis whose contents

were not disclosed. M Argod earlier told repor-ters that he was planning to discuss with Mr Sarkis the pos-sibility of convening a United Nations Security Council meet ing on Lebanon.

It is believed here that one of the aims the Christian right-ists are trying hard to achieve is to bring the Lebanese case before the world organization.

## tough line at No 10

By Our Diplomatic Staff King Husain of Jordan called on Mrs Thatcher, the Prime Minister, in London yesterday and spent an hour discussing Middle East issues.

The King arrived in London on Tuesday for what is des-cribed as a private visit. He is to attend his son's passing out parade at Sandhurst but is also due to see Mr John Nort, the Defence Secretary, on Monday and Lord Carrington, the Foreign Secretary, on Wednesday.

His visit to 10 Downing Street was described by Foreign Office officials as customary. The King usually pays calls on the Prime Minis-ter during fairly regular visits to Britain and this one was not to Britain and this one was not apparently related to his meeting in Amman on Monday with Mr Alexander Haig, the United States Secretary of State.

The discussions with Mrs That cher centred on the Middle East peace process, the question of the Palestinians, and the possibility of a European initiative to break the deadlock over the Camp David

King Hussain repeated Jordan's commitment to bringing the Palestine Liberation Organization into peace negotiations, which, the Jordanians argue, should be under United Nations auspices.

He is reported to have taken a tough line during his talks with Mr Haig, dashing any hopes the Americans may have had that Jordan might be



fied or new position which appears to be coming from Damascus". Declining to go into details, he said: "I would

prefer not to complicate a pro-cess which offers great promise

until it develops somewhat

At the airport, before leaving

Mrs Thatcher says goodbye to King Husain after their talks yesterday.

brought closer to the Camp David peace process. The Secretary of State arrives in London this evening after his talks in the Middle East.

Lord Carrington was arriving home in the early hours of this morning from his trip to Pakistan and the Far East, and the two men are scheduled to meet tomorrow. In Riyadh yesterday Mr Haig paid a ceremonial call on King Khalid and had talks with Crown Prince Fahd Saud and Prince al-Faisal, the Foreign

Minister, which centred mostly on the problems in Lebanon. The Secretary of State ex-pressed optimism because Syria appeared ready to make an unspecified change in its position. Mr Haig spake of a " modi-. Soviet Union

Gulf region. However, be added that the

threat to regional and international security. Shlomo Gazit, retire director of Israeli military intelligence, said yesterday that Saudi Arabia's acquisition of highly suphisticated modern weapon systems may force Israel into

for Rome and London, Mr Haig a preemptive strike. He told a seminar at Tel Aviv said his meetings with the Saudis had been cordial, pro-ductive, "and, in true friend-ship, most frank'. University that the ground-to-ground missiles and modern ground-to-air missiles acquired by the Saudis threatened Is-Prince Saud made clear that, despite the Reagan Administration's warnings about the Soviet threat. Saudi Arabia regards Israel as the main cause of instability and insecurity in the

rael's air supremacy, which was essential for its survival.

He said that Israel could not get involved in a war on its eastern front knowing that the Saudis had a big concentration of first-class weapons which might strike at any moment.

## Romanian gymnastic trainers defect in US

Washington, April 8.—Three leading Romanian gymnastic trainers, including the coach of the 1976 Olympic gold medal winner Nadia Comaneci, have defected to the United States, the State Department confirmed

the State Department confirmed today.

Bela Karoly, aged 38, his wife. Marta, aged 38, and Geza Pozsar, aged 31, the rop choreographer for the Romanian national gymnastics team, defected on March 30 in New York while on a tour of the United States with the Romanian women's gymnastics team.

An official said the three defectors met representatives of the Romanian Embassy at the State Department yesterday to give formal notification of their decision. They had applied to the United States Immigra-

to the United States Immigra-tion and Naturalization Service for political asylum on April 2. Left behind in Romania were the Karolys' seven-year-old daughter and Pozsar's wife and infant daughter. They asked Romanian embassy officials to allow their families to join them in the United States, a request usually granted to defectors'

families within a year.

The trainers said their deci-The trainers said their decision to defect was prompted by their long dissatisfaction with the Romanian State Central Federation of Athletics. They said they could not tolerate chronic interference by the federation with their training markeds including these for methods including those for Miss Comaneci.

"The state left us alone until we were really successful", Karoly told the Washington Post. "But once we produced a superstar, they wanted to take

ber away from us."
Under Karoly's coaching at



Bela Karoly: Coached Nadia Comaneci to Olympic golds.

14-year-old Comaneci won five individual and team medals— three gold, a silver and one, bronze. She was an instant international success.

Both the Karolys and Mr Possar belong to Romania's Hungarian ethnic minority but they refused to discuss this rurther. They claimed that three other pupils, Emilia Eberle, Georceta Gabor and Teodara Uneureanu had been withdrawn

from their school.

A State Department official said the three trainers complained to the Romanian representatives at yesterday's meeting of the federation's interfer-

The three said they hope to resume their careers in the United States.—UP1.

#### Reporters starved of essential facts

## Mr Haig's aloof style angers press corps

rom Christopher Walker

mman, April 8 During his first tour of the tiddle East, Mr Alexander (aig, the "vicar" of American oreign policy, has so far con-picuously failed to please an afluential group of his uarishioners, the State Depart-

nent press corps. As the large American party

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repared to fly on to Saudi

rabia yesterday, representaives of the so-called "travelling
press"—the journalists invited
to travel in the American govrnment aircraft—could be beard beating the Secretary of State's chief spokesman, Mr

ime magazine correspondent. The reporters, some of them there is no the Kissinger bunles, were complaining that hey were starved of essential formation about the content f Mr Haig's private talks, and rere being allowed virtually access to him.

The elusiveness of the Secreary of State is widely regarded s a ploy to avoid embarrassing uestions about his muchriticized behaviour in the wake f the shooting of President

Yesterday, a press conference ras cancelled and Mr Haig ort lounge after reading a land statement to the cameras. The unhappiness of the press orps is significant because avourable reporting could do fuch to rehabilitate Mr Haig's eputation as a statesman. mong the most frequent comlaints is that the Secretary of tare is unwilling to delegate roperly to his subordinates. One senior correspondent aid: "So far, we have been to hree countries, and he has done othing diplomatically or per-

onally to make anyone forget is big mistake. Up to now, the tip has not been a great suc-ess, and that is what our copy las been reflecting."

Mr Haig's aides are acutely conscious of his precarious colitical standing in Washing-

on, and all questions on the

ments on the importance of the "substance" of America's new "substance" of America's new foreign policy, particularly its determined anti-Soviet tone.
Unlike his immediate predecessor, Mr Edmund Muskie, Mr Haig has shown little inclination to wander into the back of the government aircraft and relax with a drink and an off-the-record char between

subject are hastily sidestepped. Emphasis is laid in private com-

off-the-record char between stopovers. "At the moment, the relationship between us is pretty strained", an American magazine reporter said.

In spite of the friction, all the correspondents acknow-ledge that the "vicar" has a Dean Fisher, an amiable former far more pragmatic and less simplistic grasp of foreign policy issues than his main rivals in the Reagan Administration. But they claim that it has not been demonstrated effectively on the Middle East tour, where any chance of positive achievements was, in any case, limited by the brevity of the stop-overs.

> By the time he left Saudi Arabia today, it had become clear that Mr Haig had not suc-ceeded in establishing the new spraggic consensus? for "strategic consensus" for which he was looking, with both the Saudi and Jordanian monarchs insisting that a rapid solution to the Palestinian problem remains the essential basis from which to counter the Soviet threat to the region.

> The dilemma faced by the Secretary of State was most clearly identified by Mr Abba Eban, Israel's shadow foreign minister, who said in a radio interview during the brief visit to Jerusalem that it arose because "your friends are our

> The failure to achieve any immediate reconciliation of different view points cannot be wholly blamed on Mr Haig, but there was a feeling that the trip succeeded more in showing up the differences between Egypt and Israel on one side, and Jordan and Saudi Arabia on the other. More time and more subtlety was neded if such differences were to be bridged.

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## Arabs request deferment of talks with EEC

rom Michael Hornsby

Srussels, April 8
The first ministerial-level conference between the EEC and the 22 member states and rganizations of the Arab or this summer, is now not expected to take place before

Preparatory work on political ind economic issues to be dis-ussed had fallen behind chedule, and a number of Arab embassadors indicated that they vould like a postponement. Behind the delay, which is by 10 means unwelcome to the FFC. lies a conflict over the 'political objectives and purpose of the conference, which the Arab countries see as an opporunity to advertise, and canvass upport for their view of the Middle East conflect with

The conference is also of value to them because it could be represented as awarding an EEC seal of diplomatic approval o the Palestine Liberation Organization (PLO), which is a member of the Arab League and would participate fully at the

Although there is no question of the EEC granting formal recognition to the PLO, it is acknowledged that the spectacle of Mr Yassir Arafat, the PLO leader, sitting down to parley with EEC foreign ministers would be a potent propaganda coup for the Arab side.

Lord Carrington, the British Foreign Secretary, has taken the lead in arguing that, if this satisfaction is to be given to the PLO, a political price should be exacted in return in the form of recognition of Israel's right to exist as a state.

erally, nor the PLO, have publicly recognized the existence of the Jewish state. Neither Arab countries gen ence of the Jewish state.
Milicant Arabs still refer to
Israel as a "Zionist entity"
and say they will not rest until it has been eliminated.

This is seen as a serious stumbling-block to further development of the EEC's Middle East peace-mking efforts, since it exposes the Ten to the Israeli taunt that, for the sake of Arab oil, they are prepared to treat with a terrorist organ-ization bent on the destruction of the Jewish state.

The British, with some support, argue that the final joint communiqué issued after endorsement of the principles set out by EEC heads of government at their summit meeting in eVoice last June.

Then they espoke of "the right to existence and to security of all states in the including Israel, and region, justice for all peoples, which implies the recognition of the legitimate rights of the Palestinian people".

## Peace returns to an old paradise

independence on April 18.

Melsetter, Zimbabwe-

There can be few places in Africa as beautiful as Melsetter, a fruit farming and forestry area in the Eastern Highlands

Set against the majestic backdrop of the Chimanimani mountams and at an altitude which seems to produce an ideal balance of sunshine and rain, it is reminiscent of an Indian hill

During the independence war, however, this earthly paradise became a living hell. Probably no other community suffered as much as Melsetter. Out of a European population of 480, 38 were killed by land mines or in ambushes.

During the darkest days of the war five whites were killed within 10 days and the town was bombarded by mortars and rockets by a guerrilla force of about 250.

Melsetter became a place under siege. Its only communication with the rest of the country was by armed convoy which travelled three times a week along the twisting moun- The

This is the fourth article tainous road to Umtan, and in a series by Nicholas miles away.

Ashford to mark the first the convoy was frequently attacked. Most Europeans drove attacked in mine-proofed, bulletaround in mine-proofed, bullet-proofed vehicles and protected their homes with an array of security fences, booby traps, fox

holes and sand-bagged emplace-

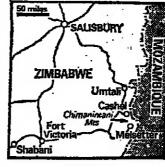
ments. It was hardly surprising that by the time the shooting stopped only three of the district's 25 white farmers remained on the land. The black population suffered even more. The people in the Tribal Trust Lands were caught

in the middle between the guer-rillas and the security forces", the local Post Office telephone operator said. No one knows how many Africans were killed; but they were many. All the African schools and clinics were closed,

transport to and from the tribal areas came to a halt and many people went hungry as a result of the security forces' scorched earth programme known as Operation Turkey. More than 12,000 boys and girls moved over the border to Mozambique either as refugees

or to join the guerrillas.

Peace has returned, Whites once again gather at the country or on the verandahs of homes for sundowners.



taken on a new lease of life and the local formers, whose numbers have risen almost to prewar levels, have revived their farmers' association. So little seems to have changed that an outsider could be excused for wondering what the war was all about.

But Melsetter residents have seen a radical change in the past year, "There has been a dramatic return to normality", said Lord Plunkett who owns a large timber estate in the area. "There is no violence any more, People are not worried when they go to bed at night. We are able to get on with our day-to-day lives again."

Lord Plunkett, a firm

opponent of the former Smith regime, was one of the few whites not to erect a security Women's Institute has fence around his house, Even- Next: Industrial relations.

tually, however, it was attacked and partly burnt down. For almost five years pro-duction of timber from his forests was interrupted by the war. Now it has resumed and he has recently finished building a new saw mill. His main hope is that someone will in-vest in a pulp plant because "what we need here is more

Life has also returned to normal in the tribal areas. People who fled to the towns have returned and started planting crops, Many of the refugee children have come back. Some of the schools and clinics have been reopened and buses are again travelling along dirt roads to remote villages.

"The major change that has taken place since independence is that people are now certain of living", Mr Gideon Muriwo, chairman of the local branch of the Zanu (PF) party, said. "We no longer live in fear."

There are, however, tensions between Zanu (PF) and supporters of the Rev Ndabaningi Sithole, who has a large following in the area. The Sithole followers claim they cannot hold political meetings because of intimidation by Zanu (PF).

## An injured rescue worker recovers after a celling section collaped on him yesterday. Terrorists blast Cologne station

Bonn, April 8

A bomb wrecked a Cologne underground railway station early this morning and fires damaged a Frankfurt department store last night as a nineweek-old hunger strike by jailed

terrorists entered a critical stage.

The attacks appeared to be linked to the hunger strike by 28 urban guerrillas to demand better conditions in prison. A bomb hidden in a station luggage locker, blew up wreck-ing shops, showcases and bring-

ing down much of the ceiling.

A caretaker was cut by flying glass. Later five policemen and a city official were badly injured when more of the ceiling, incautiously prodded by the official to see if it would hold, fell in on them.

Damage to the station was put at about £250,000. Seven hours later Cologne police received a telephone call which they said led them to suspect left-wing terrorists actsuspect left-wing terrorists acting in sympathy with the hunger strikers.

Members of terrorist groups known as the "Red Cells" to day claimed responsibility for two fires in the Frankfurt branch of the Kauthof depart-

ment store yesterday evening. One fire in the sports depart-ment was put out by staff who one fire in the sports department was put out by staff who had not yet gone home. The other, started among the furnishing fabrics, set off automatic alarms and was extinguished by the fire brigade. In a letter to a Frankfurt newspaper the "Red Cells" wrote: "The Kaufhof has laid jolly Easter eggs".

The attacks came as three of the terrorists on hunger strike refused to drink as well.

Lawyers for the hunger strikers have claimed that several are on the verge of death; but the doctors have said that, although their condition is causing concern, death is not imminent. They are not being forcibly fed.

Ostensibly the hunger strikers want to be treated as political prisoners and to be kept together instead of being scat-tered in prisons all over the country. But the authorities say they have evidence that it is intended as a further attack on the state from inside prison. -The prisoners hope that their iliness and eventual death will provoke a wave of outrage, violence and terrorism among sympathizers.

Musicians Musicians 11 say sister of Soviet exile is victimized

By Martin Huckerby Music Reporter Eleven leading musicians,

cluding Yehudi Menuhin, Georg Solti, Claudio Abba-James Galway and Isaac Ste have signed a protest, publish on The Times letters p. today, against the denial of travel visa to the sister Rostropovich. Mstislav exiled Russian cellist and c

Veronica Rostropovich is only member of his family s living in the Soviet Union since her brother was stript of his citizenship in 1978 has been virtually ostracized

official circles.
She has been a violinist the Moscow Philharmo Orchestra for 25 years but been barred from accompa ing the orchestra on a tour Britain starting on Easter S day. The signatories of letter protest at such "into able discrimination agains fellow musician".

Rostropovich, who is at sent in the United States, sa "She is being used by Soviet Government as hostage, to see in what will

As a result of the So-Government's action, he si people avoided contact with and she suffered social

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sous lived in Moscow. Rostropovich and his w Galina Vishnevskaya left R sia in 1974 after he had fal into disfavour because of support for Alexander Shenitsyn, the exiled write They had intended to return they were not allowed do so by the Soviet authorit who stripped them of the differential of the stripped them of the differential of the stripped them of the stri citizenship in March, 1978.

## Quebec Liberals get extra help

Ottawa, April 8

The Quebec Liberal Party is getting help from Cabinet min-isters in its struggle to regain power from the separatist-lean-ing Parti Quebecois (PQ) in the April 13 provincial election.

One day recently, six mem-bers of Mr Pierre Trudeau's federal Liberal Cabinet-all but them representing ridings at Ottawa were in the province campaign-ing for Liberal candidates. ing for Liberal candidates. Other federal MPs were also on

the stump.

The effort came after public opinion polls had shown the ruling Parti Quebecois, which advocates the eventual separation of Quebec from Canada

ber. 1976.

However, the margin in the opinion polls was sufficiently small to convince most observers that the race was still open. The Liberal Party organization, is strong at the constituency

level. are professing optimism. Mr René Lévesque, the PO leader and Premier, told a boisterous crowd in Sherbrooke a few nights ago that the smell of victory was greater than it was in 1976.

Even in English-speaking areas, the outlook for the PQ had improved. About 80 per

but is not campaigning now on the independence issue, is lead-ing the Liberals, from whom they wrested power in Novem-ber 1976. Campaigning in Quebec City,

cent of Quebec's six million inhabitants are French-speaking,
the rest English-speaking.
Campaigning in Quebec City,
Mr Claude Ryan, the Liberal
leader, also predicted victory,
explaining that his party was
getting "the same feeling"
from constituents as during last
year's referendum campaign.
That was the campaign that That was the campaign that

led to the repudiation of Mr Lévesque's plan for independence for Quebec within a common market with Canada.

Lately, the Liberals have been using the sovereignty issue, in the belief that the PQ is more vulnerable on this than on economic and governon economic and good govern-ment issues, which dominated the early stages of the four-

#### Radio bomb kills woman, injures three in Salisbury From Stephen Taylor Salisbury, April 8

booby-trapped portable radio killed a woman and seriously injured her three companions when it exploded near the centre of Salisbury: Police said the woman, her

sister, and two men were walk-ing down one of Salisbury's main streets when they stopped to pick up a radio laying on the pavement, The blast, which occurred a few hundred yards from the residence of Mr Robert Mugabe, the Prime Minister,

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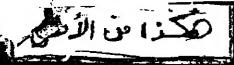
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South Africa has decided to

appears to be a deliberate move

to antagonize the Salisbury Government of Mr Robert

Simultaneous announcements

Simultaneous announcements made in Salisbury and Johannesburg today said that 25 diesel locomotives now leased by South African Railways to Zimbabwe would be pulled back to South Africa by June 1.

Zimbabwe badly needs the locomotives to belo with the

locomotives to help with the transportation of this season's record maize crop. South Africa has no urgent need for

them and the decision to recall them will almost certainly be

interpreted as a further effort by Pretoria to embarrass Mr Mugabe's Government.

Mugabe's Government.

South Africa has already announced it is ending a preferential trade agreement with. Zimbabwe which enabled preindependence Rhodesia to withstand the international sanc-

tions resulting from UDI, and last week also laid down that

Zimbabwean visitors to South-Africa would in future require-

However, the decision to recall the locomotive could re-bound. South African Railways?

stock is built by the local sub-sidiary of General Electric Cor-poration of America and, although there is a high quan-tity of local construction, most

of the vital parts inicuding the engines are wholly imported.

South Africa's efforts to deprive Zimbabwe of locomotive.

needs it could rebound if move

follow to block supplies of vital

to recall

From Ray Kennedy April 8

# Vato ministers voice concern over Russian troop movements but eave door open for negotiations

om Frederick Bonnart

Defence ministers attending to Nato nuclear planning out meeting in Bonn had ned with great concern that r the past week the Soviet enacing troop movements and reatening activity round land, Dr Joseph Luns, Nams cretary general, said here to-y at the conclusion of the

ecting. Flanked by Mr Caspar Weinger, the American Secre-y of Defence, Mr John Nott, British Minister of Defence, d Herr Hans Apel, the West rman Defence Minister, Dr us pointed out that this was a first rime ministers had alt with an issue not on the enda, due to its great im-

Actual intervention, including usee or the threat of use of litary force, he went on, was compatible with the professed riet desire for peace and dis-mament, and inconsistent th the Helsinki Final Act and United Nations Charter

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t Western

The announcement that the

the announcement that the use Pact military exercises we ended, and President ezhnev's professed belief in land's ability to settle the

sis have done much to calm

Nevertheless. Mr Brezhnev t no doubt that Moscow is

keeping all options open.

rague which, apparently,

Il last until the weekend, for ks with Mr Stefan Olszowski,

Polish Politbureau member.

o yesterday expressed the

t the country would remain faithful member of the

But reminders of the Soviet iced by foreign delegations.

Miklosz Ovari, the Hungar-

representative whose

t all reference to Poland, in

"We too follow with anxiety

e complicated and difficult tuation in Poland," he told

e Czechoslovak party con-

ems to be the unanimous

e "achievement of the Polish

ople and the very foundations the socialist regime are

lish communists have enough

easing overt attacks
The East Germans made no
ention of Poland but it is

ear that the situation there

uppermost in the exchanges

the delegates even though

ere are no signs yet that a

arsaw Pact summit may be

One thing, however, is clear.

oscow may reluctantly swal-w the idea of an independent

ide union in Poland, but not

e idea of any Communist

rty reform.

Last month's meeting of the lish Central Committee to the

viously contributed to the

ars that the party was in

nger of disintegrating. Mr

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Mr Nott said that the state of alert on which the Soviet forces had been placed round Poland last week had been remarkable. Although the exercise had ended there was indication that so far the Poland last week had been remarkable. Although the exercise had ended there was no indication that so far the Russians had actually withdrawn any of the new forces placed there or which they had infiltrated into the country.

"Ir does not seem to me", he went on, "that this is a very happy atmosphere in which to conduct arms control negotiations. But, if the position changes in the next few weeks, then we might see a different situation almoether. situation altogether

In their communique, the ministers emphasized the danger to stability posed by the continued growth in Soviet forces, particularly their theatre nuclear forces, and pointed out that they had already deployed about 220 triple-warhead SS20 missiles, which amounted to more than those Nato planted to introduce into Europe from 1983 unwards.

The communiqué added that Nato would move ahead with its planned schedule for deploying the American medium-range missiles, while at the same time making efforts to same time making efforts to reach balanced, equitable and verifiable arms control agree-

Herr Apel said that the missile decision was a "two-track" decision (deployment and negotiations) to which Mr Weinberger agreed, adding that, if the right atmosphere existed, the talks could start.

Mr Peter de Geus, the Dutch Minister of Defence, had said earlier that Nam officials were examining possibilities of with-drawing older nuclear systems. This is important, observers here understand, beservers here understand, because this could make the introduction of The Russians were continuing these deployments at a public opinion.

The Russians were continuing these deployments at a public opinion.

#### Nato's eye into Poland

## Soviet navy watched from Danish boat

Bornholm Island, April 8
Bornholm Island should really exist only in the pages of a thriller writer. The Baltic Sea mists which rise around it at dusk, the bunchbacked old Scandinavian churches and the grey shapes of warships far out

beyond the deserted, snow white beaches might have come from Erskine Childers's ageless blockbuster Riddle of the Sands. But the Martian clusters of radio reception aerials behind the wind-crushed trees, and the

small Danish naval patrol boat that sets out each dawn to watch the Soviet Navy's ominous peregrinations, would perhaps fir more appropriately into an Alistair Macleon novel. Bornholm is a squashed, rectangular hump of land in

the dead centre of the Baltic straits just 78 miles from the Polish coast. It is Nato's eastern-most eye into Poland and right now even the Russigns must dearly wish that it existed only in fictional form. Not far from the little fishing

port of Nekso, for example, there is a space-age cantonment of radio masts and radar dishes marked by a small yellow notice in Danish which reads: Military area: Entry forbid-

den."
Rabbits skip and play among -peated the belief that the gence on Soviet troop moveinside a poorly painted holiday bungalow hard

by the beach. During the day, distant ex-plosions rumble in from the sea and small propeller-driven air-craft take off from a miniscule island airfield, circling and recircling the 110-mile coastline in mysterious and inexplicable flight patterus beside the almost tideless sea. It is also possible to hear the sound of high-altitude fighter aircraft

above the fog.

The Danish Navy's tough little parrol craft brings in enough information to fill an intelligence. intelligence average-sized

dossier every day.

It went out to watch the Warsaw Pact manoeuvres last week, for instance, and noticed that while the practice marine landings on the East German coast had ended, the general sea exercise—involving East German and Soviet vessels-

nusly uncoordinated fashion, clear evidence that the Warsaw Pact commanders had decided to extend their manoeuvres at

very short notice.

The Danish patrol is watched by both East Germans and Russians; they know its path across the Baltic and the Danes make no attempt to conceal its mischievous journey. It suils due south of Bornholm almost up to the three-mile limit of East German territorial waters, not far from Peenemunde-where Hitler built his V1 flying bombs in the Second World War-which is now the base area for a large East German

amphibious force.
Turning east, it moves 12
miles from the Polish coastline
past Swinouscie, the Polish
amphibious base, then turns north before reaching Gdansk

Bay. Captain-Commander Hervad Jorgensen, the Danish naval commander in Bornholm, more than enthusiastic about his little ship's work, even though the vessel has just developed technical trouble and is now cruising stubbornly along on one engine. Last September, its crew was able to watch the Soviet Union's Backfire homber aircraft in exer-

cises with a new Soviet heliconter fleet. The Russians return Comthe silver radio wires that run mander Jorgensen's interest by into the fields. No guards or circling Bornholm at regular introops are visible but it is a tervale with frigates loaded fair bet to say that the Ameri- with radio equipment. The Ruscan Government's latest intelli- sians know all about Boroholm's radio surveillance - they can ments around Poland is initially see the aerials from the seaand they like to let the Danes know that they are there.

Commander Jorgensen, a grey-haired and articulate officer with a year to go before retirement, has some caustic suspicions about why the Russians watch Bornbolm. "They sians watch Bornbolm. have small radar posts dotted along the Polish coast", he says. "And there are Polish craft patrolling the beaches there. They are not trying to stop invaders, but to stop evaders—
to stop people leaving Poland.
With their gentle fields and
small farms, the 48,000 inhabitants of Bornholm—speaking Danish with a peculiarly Swedish stress on every word—do live in a kind of paradisc. More than a quarter of a million holidaymakers come here every summer, but the authorities in Roone, the island's miniature capital, are prepared for an in-flux of Polish refugees if the Russians invade Poland.



#### Gardener held on way to shoot **President**

From Patrick Brogan
Washington, April 8
An out-of-work, 23-year-old
gardener was arrested in a bus
station in New York yesterday.
He was on his way from New
Haven, Connecticut, to Washington to shoot the President.
He is Edward Bicharden Ington to shoot the President.

He is Edward Richardson and, like John W. Hinckley, left a letter behind in his hotel room explaining his intentions. A maid found it, read it was gave it to the police, who picked him up on his way south, with a 32 revolver in his pocket. Mr Hinckley's letter was found by the police after he had shot and wounded Mr

he had shot and wounded Mr Reagan and three other men. Mr Richardson seems to have modelled himself on Mr Hinckley, to the extent of claiming that Mr Hinckley appeared to him in a dream, urging him to finish off President Reagan. He also shared Mr Hinckley's affection for Jodie Foster, the teenage film star.

She is now a student at Yale, in New Haven, and Mr Richardson was staying in the hotel Mr. Hinckley stayed in when he was hanging around Yale, trying to see Miss Fuster.

All this is probably imitative and was indeed expected. There are 220 million Americans and there must be a good few thousand lunatics among them whose obsessions will take them as far as trying to shoot the Precident. President. Increased precautions are

now being taken to protect Vice-President Bush and other public figures (including Senator Edward Kennedy), not belatedly to close the stable door but because people like Edward Richardson might very well he tipped over the edge by Mr Hinckley's example.

There is one real coincidence that the police are investigat-ing: Mr Richardson apparently spent three months in Lake-Colorado, which is near Mr Hinckley's parents' home and where he once bought a gun (not the one he shot Mr Reagan with). The Secret Ser-vice's first comment was that they did not believe that there was any connexion between the

Mr Hinckley is said to have been a member of the American Nazi Party, and was expelled because the party found him uncontrollable. Mr

Poles praise

**Brezhnev** 

'foresight'

Warsaw, April 8.—A Polish newspaper today praised Presi-dent Brezbnev for foresight as the country looked to the bright side of the Soviet leader's latest policy statement on the situa-

tion in Poland,
"Leonid Brezhnev has again
displayed far-sightedness in his

assessment of the complex pro-

Poland", the Government news-

paper Zucie Warszawy said in a commentary on the Soviet

leader's address in Prague yes

Polish officials said they

Poland's communists resolve their problems

Poland's fate had sub-

were reassured by Mr Brezh-nev's statement that he sup-

alone. The official news agency

noted that alarm in the West

Western diplomats in War-

saw said that it was clear from

Mr Brezhnev's statement that

Poland had been given more

time. They said, however, the basic crisis inherent in the country's liberalization process

appeared far from resolved in

the eyes of the Kremlin and

other communist governments in Eastern Europe.

Mr Brezhoev talked in terms

The Polish party leadership

Prague this week, Czechoslovak

private political consultations.

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Edward Richardson: He modelled himself on John Hinckley.

Reagan recovery is slower

From Our Own Correspondent
Washington, April 8
President Reagan continues
to recover from his wound; but
the Washington policeman who bad a bullet in his neck will be released in a few days.

night.

was shot.

than doctors had hoped

Richardson, in his letter, claims to belong to the "Left" (he put the word in inverted commas himself) and addressed his letter to "the fascist

The letter said: " If I cannot get at the President, I am prepared to slay some other promi-nent 'right wing' political figure" (again, Mr Richardson's inverted commas):

"I depart now for Washington, DC, to bring to completion Hipckley's reality. Ultimately, Ronald Reagan will be shot to death and this country turned to the 'left'." The letter is signed "Edward Richardson. Inter People's Court . Need-less to say, no one has ever

his progress is slower than his

day and Monday, which is considerably later than doctors

and members of the President's staff led many to believe last

In the first two days after

the assassination attempt, on March 30, officials insisted

mightily that Mr Reagan was.

making a remarkable recovery, that physically he was much younger than his 70 years and that he would be back at work

immediately.

Now reality has caught up with them. Mr Reagan is indeed recovering. There will be no permanent damage to his

health. He is very healthy and young for his age; but a man of

70 takes longer to get over a bullet wound than a young

man. The Secret Serviceman who

was wounded in the stomach

Thatcher's advisers provide her with a summary of today's Hansard of the European Parliament's debate on the Maast-

to make the British presidency

of the Council of Ministers a

landmark in Community reform will be sadly dashed. The Brit-

ish presidency begins in July and lasts until December 31.

ful earlier campaign for budgetary justice for Britain, wants Lord Carrington's presi-

dency of the Council to go down in EEC history as the serious

beginning of a period for re-structuring Community finances

and much else.
The Prime Minister needs to

Mrs Thatcher, after a success-

From David Wood Strasbourg, April 8 When Mrs

Mrs Thatcher's summit

style draws heavy fire

Margaret

heard of an international people's court. A great number of journalis-tic man-hours have been pur into investigating John Hinck-ley's background. The details of his boring, unhappy life are now more or less established, and the psychiatrists who have bim to themselves in a secluded prison in North Carolina are presumably going behind that biography to discover what

made him a failure and what made him shout the President. His obsession for Jodie Foster explains nothing. The "Son of Sam", who shot lovers in parked cars in New York, gor his orders from a neighbour's dog. In Mr Hinckley's case the ex-

Today's bulletin on the Presi-

Mr George Bush, the Vice-

was held in

trade unionists before be

Mr Bush continues to repre-

sent Mr Reagan on such occasions in Washington; but all his out-of-town engagements

have been cancelled except for

As a temporary security

measure, which may be made permanent, the White House has stopped distributing the

Vice-President's daily sechedule

Local newspapers and news

agencies bave agreed not to

be able to meet the Labour case that Community member-ship has been adverse to Brit-

ish interests,
As today's debate often

showed, she starts from a European position of weakness.

After reports on Maastricht from the Dutch Foreign Minis-

ter and the Luxembourg president of the Commission, several Continental MEPs attacked Mrs Thatcher's summit

German Socialist, called Mrs Thatcher stubborn, with her main concern the money she could extract from Community

membership. Signor Mariano

Rumor, a former Italian Prime Minister, talked of national egoisms becoming serious

obstacles to development.

Herr Rudi Arndt, a West

a speech in Alabama.

for publication.

publish such details.

President represented the President at a big Republican Party fund-raising dinner last

unable to cope with his own inability to live up to bis family's expectations.

from a middle class suburb of Philadelphia. One newspaper says that his family's neigh-bours describe him as a friendly young man who seemed unable to keep a job.

#### planation is not the film star or the plot of her most cele-brated film Taxi Driver, but probably a banal case of the weak son of a successful father,

parts and spares.

Canada is reported to beready to send locomotives to

Zimbahwe to bridge the gap;
but it will take time to get them His father is a millionaire oil man. Young Hinckley had every advantage that money could buy. The letter he wrote to Jodie Foster is well-written and there and they are unlikely to amive before the June 1 dead-At the same time it is not

perfectly lucid.
Now we will find out about Edward Richardson. He came clear that South Africa, having announced its decision to recall its locomotives, will even get them back before replacements In Salisbury today, Mr Josiak Chinamano, Minister of Transport and Power, said Zimbabwawas to import railway trucks to help with the distribution of

#### trucks as a start to make the Zimbabwe National Railways independent of South Africa. Namibians fail

By Our Diplomatic Staff

A delegation from Namibia left London yesterday, appar-

ently without meeting the United States diplomat who has been designated to formulate the Reagan Administration's

policy on the disputed territory.

Mr Peter Kalangula, the president of the Democratic Turnballe Alliance (DTA), the South African-backed ruling

party in Namibia, flew to Europe while Mr Chester. Crocker, the Assistant Secretary of State-designate, spents

most of the day with Foreign of Office officials, preparing for a tour of 10 African countries...

Today be flies to Nairobi and

later will visit South Africa, Angola and other countries

The Reagan administration

wants to explore the possibility of solving the Namibia problem

by reaching agreement first on = a constitution, as in the case

of Zimbabwe, and then holding

South Africa and the DTA bope for favourable treatment

from Washington, although in-dications are that the Reagan

administration will not neces-

Africa and the West European states that engineered the United Nations agreement.

In London yesterday the South West Africa People's

Organization issued a statement

United States policy and repeat-

ing the statement by Dr Kurt

expressing concern

sarily ignore the views of black

elections.

to meet US envoy

flights into Kabul by Soviet transport aircraft carrying troops. The source estimates that about 20,000 soldiers bave

Karmal regime in power. There have been reports from Kabul that four Afghan divisions have been moved from the capital to fight the guerrillas in the countryside. clusion being drawn is that Soviet troops are taking their place in and around the city.

Mr Shah Muhammad Dost,
the Afghan Foreign Minister,
said in an interview published
in India this week that Kabul might ask for more Russian

naner Patriot, published in Delhi, Mr Dost was reported as saying that we have no

## Fresh forces go into

Delhi, April 8

The Russians are apparently making a significant increase in the strength of their forces occupying Afghanistan, according to reports reaching here

staff and doctors hoped last dent states that his temperature is nearly normal, and that his afternoon that he might leave hospital between Satur-leave hospital between Satur-leaving of the wounded area. Hilton botel here, where Mr Reagan addressed a convention arrived in recent days.

assessments, says that up to 10,000 men—a division—have been brought in as reinforce-

troops in view of President Reagan's statement that the

But in the pro-Moscow news need for an increase in the limited Soviet contingent in

## the maize crop. Sweden is believed to have offered 200 Afghanistan

today.

A diplomatic source said that during the past week there have been a large number of

Another source, however. usually more cautious in its

The Russians already have bout 85.000 men stationed in Afghanistan to keep the Babrak

Americans would consider sending arms to the mujahidin.

Afehanistan". He added, however, that "we

are taking into consideration all the developments around us. . ".

Waldheim, the United Nations Secretary-General, that there

### could be no going back on the international agreements on Namibia already reached. Court leaves 450 vintage cars with French public

From Our Own Correspondent Paris, April 8

By decision of the court of Mulhouse, the unique Schlumpf collection of vintage cars is to remain in the hands of the local authorities who will form from it a national automobile museum.

The collection consists of 450 vintage cars. in first class con-dition, which the two brothers, Hans and Fritz Schlumpf built up over a lifetime. They took refuge in Switzerland after their firm was declared bank-rupt in 1977, and they were charged with misuse of com-

The court decision concludes a long rearguard battle fought by the Schlumpf brothers for control and preservation of the collection estimated at between 44m francs (£4m) and 300m francs. Christie's had put for-ward a figure of 325m francs. The 1,300 workers of the mills who were laid off in 1976 occupied the premises. They made a point of keeping the collection in 2004 tion in good order, and allow-ing vintage car enthusiasts from all over the world to visit

But the Schlumpf brothers

collection as an historic monu-ment. The highest administrative court in France last month exempted only five of the cars. from the decree, presumably because they were duplicates.

When the Mulhouse court considered the case, it had before it an offer by the asso-

decree of 1978 scheduling the

ciation of local authorities to, purchase the collection for the dump sum of 44m francs, the amount of the claims of credibrothers; and a proposal by them to reimburse these credits tors over five years in quarterly instalments. By today's decision, the association which will set up the museum in Mulhouse has

to pay 80 per cent of the pur-chase price laid down by the court within three months, and the rest within a year.

It will then have to buy about tive acres of converted factors buildings which house the collection and open it to the public. It has remained closed since

1979, after the plant was evacuated by the workers, and has since been placed under the responsibility of a curator. The collection covers the history of motor cars. It is dis-

played in sections separated by gravelled parks, and illumin-

## Britain asks Japanese to close ranks with West

rom Peter Hazelhurst

e meaning quite clear.

okyo, April 8 Lord Carrington, the British oreign Secretary, asked Japan day to close ranks with the nited States. Europe and hina to contain the Soviet nion in the West, the Pacific

egion and Asia.
Addressing Japanese journalits at the end of a three-day isit to Tokyo, he said conomic issues should not be allowed to cost a shadow over he prospects of a "closer colitical relationship" between

Japan and Britain. "In Europe, the Soviet Jaion has built up its forces, oth conventional and nuclear, ar beyond its defensive needs. You have a similar build-up -and I understand your special oncern-in the islands neigh-Hokkaido," Lord

Turning to economic affairs,

Lord Carrington said that as a result of his talks today with Mr Rokusuke Tanaka, the Minister for International Trade and Industry, the Japanese Government has agreed to form a panel of ifficials to examine means of redressing Britains £1,112m trade deficit with

Japan.
Lord Carrington also met Mr Zenko Suzuki, the Prime Minisbelieves trade frictions can be eased.

made five points", he "First there should be said. export restraints on the part of the Japonese in two sensitive area: cars and electronics. There should be no impediment area: in Japan for our exports. There should be increased investment in the United Kingdom. There should be greater collaboration in projects in Third World countries; and a greater degree of technical collaboration."

## From Charles Hargrove

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Paris. April 8
Last night at midnight an usher shut the doors of the Constitutional Council and posted up a notice, announcing that nominations for the presidential election had closed.

Three-quarters of an hour earlier M Jean-Marie Le Pen, the candidate of the right-wing National Front, rushed into the National Front, rushed into the building with his candidature, and a packet of 300 sponsorship forms. "I know that some mayors have sent their forms direct to the canacil and I have direct to the council and I hope they will be sufficient to make up the required 500," he said. Although the names of those who have got past the hurdle of at least 500 sponsors from different departments will

be announced officially tomorrow evening. in fact they are already known. What is surprising is that so nany "little" or marginal many "little" or marginal candidates have succeeded in getting past it. For many of them, the quest for the coveted signatures began last summer,



#### French Presidential Election

with the wooing of the 38,600 elected representatives who are entitled to give them. In the end, there will be seven or eight minor candidates in the lists, as against nine in the 1974 election, competing with the four leaders

of the main parties. Most of the shades in the political spectrum will be represented in the first ballot. It was touch and go until the last minute whether M Brice

Lalonde, the ecologists' choice, and M Le Pen would make it, and it is still possible that some of the signatures tabled with the Constitutional Council may be declared invalid.

On the right there will be, in addition to M Le Pen, Mme Marie-France Garaud, the former "grey eminence" of President Pompidou, who has taken a tough anti-communist foreign policy issues to the fore in the campaign. There is also M Micbel Debre, the "vestal virgio" of orthodox Gaullism and former Prime

Both are expected to take away some votes from M Jacques Chirac, as may M Michel Jobert, who also appeals to the Gaullist tradition.

On the left there are the Left Radicals, the rump of the once great Radical Socialist Party, led by M Michel Crepeau, the dynamic deputy and mayor of La Rochelle, He declares himself an "ally and partner" of

Minor candidates overcome nomination hurdle M François Mitterrand, without

being a "hewer of wood and drawer of water" for the Socialists.

The Ecologists, with M Brice Lalonde, are the biggest of the "line" condidates to to speak. Lalonde, are the biggest of the "little" candidates, so to speak, for in 1974 they polled 4.6 per cent of the popular vote.

Mme Arlette Lauiller, the candidate of the Trotskyist Luttre Ouvrière, is also in the lists, together with Mme

lists, together with Mme Huguette Bouchardeau, of the Socialiste Unifie, who advocates worker participation in the management, real equality for women, and dis-

armament. A presidential election would be duller without the minor candidates. They have no party machines to nurse, no voters to coddle and they can therefore speak their minds.

They will have a chance to do so in front of millions of television viewers, since all the official candidates have the same amount of rime on radio and television during the cam-

wanted to resume possession. They appealed to the Conseil d'Etat against a ministerial PARLIAMENT, April 8, 1981

## Slow murder of Book of Common Prayer

Viscount Cranborne (South Dor-set, C) was given leave to bring in the Prayer Book Protection Bill which would ensure that an incumbent would hold one service a mouth according to the 1662 rites if 20 parishioners pentioned him to do so. Voting was 152 to 130—a majority in favour of 22.

Viscount Cranborne said the Book of Common Prayer should be enjoyed by every worshipper who wanted it instead of being consigned to muniment rooms where only scholars and the cognoscenti could appreciate it.

This Prayer Book was one of the clories of English literature. (Cheers.) The contents and forms of service in it had formed the basis of part of the tradition of England and enriched the lan-

Until recently the Book of Common Prayer was available to all who wanted it.

He said that Mr William Van Straubenzee, Second Church Estates Commissioner, who opposed his Bill, would be supporting a point of view which had achieved the slow murder of the Book of Common Prayer. Mr Van Straubenzee also believed that as a result of the 1974 measure a He had it on good authority that concordat was put into operation between Parliament and the Synod of the Church of England, provid-ing clearly that the initiative in legislation governing the Church should come from the Synod and not the House.

But the concordat had been made with conditions. The then Archbishop of Canterbury had said in the House of Lords that it was not a measure for abolishing the Book of Common Prayer and that it gave the book a secure place which could be altered only by

But it was not Parliament which was in danger of breaching the concordat. The Church had breached it. Many people up and down the country had found it impossible to find a service where the Book of Common Prayer was used.

He had it on good authority that in most theological colleges in the provinces of Canterbury and York the 1662 prayer book was not in

use at ali. There is a new generation of Church of England priests (he said) who do not know of the prayer book and therefore, are all too happy to override the rights of the parochial church council. Mr William Van Straubenzee (Wokingham, C), opposing the Bill, said it should be remembered that in 1974 it was the Church that asked that the Book of Common Prayer should continue to be enshrined in the laws of the land. This was no concession wrested from unwilling clerics. It was freely given because at that time it was inconceivable, as it was today, that this heritage of the English language should be abolished either by Church or by state.

On the other hand, it surely must be acknowledged that for many whom the Church sought to serve the language of Cranmer and the statemnh-century reformers did. not carry the same force as it had to their forefathers, and that alternative not substitute. Services needed to be provided if their worship was to be relevant. In 1974 when giving the Church

freedom the House approved safe-guards. He believed that in the 1980s this was the right way to deal with the infinite variety of circum-stances to be found in the Church and not by way of the rigidity of a Bill tied to a number regardless of the size of the congregation. He had checked the 14 theologi-

me nad checked the 14 theologi-cal colleges and it was true—he regretted it was true—that in four of them the 1662 Holy Communion service was not in use; in four it was in use occasionally and in six it was used regularly. This was a different picture to the one which had just been presented.
Progressively the House had thought it fitting to entrust to the Church increasing authority over

its own attairs. I hat was because it was felt that it was no longer fitting for MPs, constituted as they were now and not as they used to be, to concern themselves with the details of matters domestic to the Church, particularly when they had approved the setting up of epresentative institutions whereby

The Bill intervened in an impor tant area where Parliament had decreed that decisions should be a matter for the Church, and in respect of which Parliament had approved an claborate system of decision-making and safeguards. In doing so, the Bill went against the whole of the trend which he had outlined and which represented an understanding both by Church and state of their respec-

He would seek, if there was a division, to persuade MPs in all parts that if should not be approved. (Cheers.)

After the division, the Bill was

rive roles in the days in which they

## Scottish MP named by Speaker

for "gross discourtesy to the Chair" during the course of questions to Mr Nicholas Fairbairn, Solicitor General for Scotland.

Solicitor General for Scotland.

In a supplementary question about people selling newspapers being charged with breach of the peace, Mr Brown accused Mr Fairbairn of lying, la the ensuing uproar, he continued to shout inaudibly at Mr Fairbairn despite being ordered several times by the Speaker to resume his seat.

After further orchanges from a

After further exchanges from a sedentary position, the Speaker named him. Mr George Younger, Secretary of State for Scorland, the most senior minister present then, moved a motion that Mr Brown he appropried from the service of the suspended from the service of the House, and the Speaker ordered Mr Brown out after MPs had unan-imously voted for the motion. As Mr Brown left the Chamber he shouted: " So much for democ-

Mr Brown had tabled a question asking Mr Fairbairn how many people selling newspapers were charged with breach of the peace during 1980.

Mr Fairbairn (Kinross and West

Mr Rongld Brown, Labour MP for Edinburgh, Leith, was named by the Speaker (Mr George Thomas) for "gross discourtesy to the Mr Brown: The couple, commonly called the Glasgow Two, were charged and convicted for breach

charged and convicted for breach
of the peace. More importantly,
was it true prior to that they were
charged under the Prevention of
Terrorist Act? Why should the
minister deny it and lie to us ... (Loud protests.) The Speaker shouted "Order" several times, but Mr Brown continued to harmone Mr Fairbairn as

MPs protested. When Mr Brown finally resumed when Mr Brown many testanes his seat, the Spetaker said: Mr Brown is fortunate he is not being named, He knows that when I get up he should resume his seat. It was extremely discourteous, I have him a lithough Mr.

no wish to name him. Although Mr Brown only came at the last eleche has been here two Mr Brown continued to shout from his seat. As MPs chanted "Name him" and Mr Brown shouted

back, the Speaker said: He is inviting me to dame him . . . Mr Brown will leave this Chamber for the rest of the day.

I had given him an opportun
I name Mr Ronald Brown for leave this House for one day.

gross discourtesy to the Ch (Shouts of: "Out") Someth move the motion. Would a minister move the motion? Minister move the monon:

Mir George Younger, Seretan
State for Scotland: I beg to m
Mir Ronald Brown be susper
from the service of the House.

As MPs shouted their assem,
Speaker said: Mir Brown will

Michigan from the House withdraw from the House

Mr Brown: " So much for de Later, on a point of order

Later, on a point of order, Hugh Brown (Glasgow, Pro Lab) said it was always a man-regret when an MP had to named in the House. I am not trying to suggest said; that the decision was w (Cries of "You must not") I would ask, perhaps by way of gation, that I know the ch stances of the incident and satisfied that the action by police and the Crown Office totally correct. Could I draw attention to an inconsistency is

attention to an inconstancy in reply the Solicitor George Too.
The Speaker (Mr George Too.
Order, We cannot now prowith the answer to the quest The whole House gave me su when I put the question (Che

elections. There would be an sell-out on exclusive zones an zone of dominant preference. The massive trade delict

manufacturing and the enor

for by the depletion of the resource of North Sea oil, revenue was being frittered

in financing the dole quene Government had created by

economic policies and to pay enormous burdens of the co-membership of the Common

Community from July 1 shoul a golden opportunity to refore CAP and restructure the bu Unfortunately the Minister

Unfortunately the Minister Agriculture would be chairing Council of Agriculture Min and the Foreign Office the Coof Foreign Ministers and to example in that situ

was expecting a lot.

Entry to the EEC had been for the housewife, the tax; and British industry. Unless i

were fundamental and ra changes, increasing demand free Britain from the provision the Treaty of Accession and

Treaty of Rome would become

## **Lord Chancellor says** laity is safeguarded

The new services of the Church of England had been the desire not of the lairy so much as the clergy, Lord Sudeley (C) said when he moved the second reading of the Prayer Book Protection Bill, a similar measure to that introduced

earlier in the Commons. The Bill left the decision whether to use the Prayer Book for certain services to a given number of members of the church electoral members of the church ofectoral moll who could present a petition to the incumbent of the parish. At present the decision was made for all except occasional services by the parochial church council. While PCCs could override vicars, as a rule they did not act in this way.

There was always the suspicion and underione of commercial in-fluence which could corrupt reli-gion like anything else. What cash conscious parish would buy the Book of Common Prayer if it got a 20 per cent discount on purchase of the Alternative Services Book? The young clerry promoted the new services owing to lack of exposure to the Prayer Book at theological colleges. If the Bill got second reading he would put down an amendment requiring that the Prayer Book should he required for worship at such colleges.

The trend towards new services was not assisted by the failure of the BBC to observe the same impartiality in broadcasting services as they gave in allocating time to other points of view of the two main political parties. Holy Communion and Mattins' according to the Prayer Book were hardly ever broadcast and Christmas services broadcast were according to the broadcast were according to the

The Synod was not entitled to commit doctrinal irregularities, But in these matters it could act as active time.

He hoped that many peers would feel now that such powers as Par-liament had given to the Synod on Inturgical matters it could safely

take away. The Bishop of Durham said he was no less anxious than Lord Sudeley to ensure that the Book of Com-mon Prayer was retained and used as a rightful part of the heritage of the Church of England. There was no room for doubt about the Church's officially expressed intention to preserve a

which conceived the idea of the Alternative Service Book and brought it to fruition he wanted to assure the House that all through that long process one of the dominant factors in the mind of

dominant factors in the mind of the committee was how to ensure that the Book of Common Prayer was not irreparably damaged by the publication of the ASB.

He believed the General Synod had made a bit of a mess of the Lord's Prayer. They now had something which combined the worst of all worlds and which they would have to take a hard look at. If the Bill was passed it would lead to the most extraordinary anomalies.

He hoped the Bill would be with.

He hoped the Bill would be with the Lord Chancellor, said that nor-mally the Government adopted a

mally the Government adopted a neutral posture towards private members Bills. But in matters which raised grave questions of constitutional propriety and usage that could not be the case.

In this case the Government believed such issues did arise. He had to tell the House without equivocation the Government could not recommend the passage of the Bill through Parliament. The body of the Bill was to do with the main service in the morning in the parish church—not the ing in the parish church—not the marriage service, confirmation ser-vice, baptism service, not with doc-trine, or with bias of the EBC or or might not go on in church

or might not go on in church council.

The question we are facing the said) is whether 20 persons who happen to be on the electoral role of the parish are entitled to impose upon the rest of them once a month what is called the Book of upon the rest of them once a month what is called the Book of

Common Prayer.

The measure in 1974 provided adequate safeguards for the laty if they would only use it. There must be a two-thirds majority of the Synod and the forms of the Book of Common Prayer must remain available and they law with the focumbent and the PCC, which was

The Bill provided that notwithstanding the wish of the Synod of the PCC a minority of 20 was entitled to impose a form of ser-vice. The Bill was a constitutional anomaly and under its terms it did not matter if the church was empty

or full or if the majority or wor-shippers liked the service or not.

## Categories of pensioners who will be protected against inflation

numbers of people unhappiness and poverty and those who should have been given priority had been given scant consideration, Lord Wells-Postell (Lab) said when opening a debate in which he called attention to the effects of the Government's expenditure cuts on those in the community who depended on government aid and local authority services.

He said his speech was a plea to Government backbench peers because nothing he would say would make any impression on

would make any impression on the Government Front Bench which had shown it was resistant to change and dogmatic in its beliefs.

beliefs.

During the past two years the Government had introduced three Budgets and two social security Bills as well as other legislation which had imposed bardship of a large section of the community who were already finding it diffi-

Lord Cullen of Ashbourne, a Lord in Wairing, said the Government was as concerned as the Labour Party to maintain the fabric of a caring and compassionate society. caring and compassionate society. The Government had had to find savings in social security but it was inaccurate to speak as though the structure developed by Beveridge onwards lay in ruins. Expenditure was rising and it would continue to rise by 8 per cent in real terms between 1980-81 and 1983-84. and 1983-84.

He could clarify the basis for

He could clarify the basis for future uprating of social security benefits. An Under Secretary of State for Social Security had today written to Mr Jeffrey Rooker (an Opposition spokesman on social security) about the pledge given on shortfall by the Prime Minister. The Government was committed to compensate pensioners fully for price increases over the lifetime of this Parliament. ment

Pensioners included, in addition to those receiving national insur-ance retirement pensions, recipi-ents of the following henefits; widow's pension, including the widowed mether's allowance and the widow's allowance, industrial death benefit paid by way of widow's or widower's pension, war disablement pension and industrial injury disablement pension. sion, war widow's pension, attendance allowance, invalidity

care allowance and non-contributory invalidity pension. The
supplementary pension, now
aligned with the redrement pension, would be similarly protected.
In spite of the savings made on
social security, the total social
security cash outturn for the year
just ended was about £23,000m
and for 1981-82 it was expected
to be about £27,400m.

Spending on the personal social
services rose by more than 4 per
cent in real terms in 1579-80 and
it seemed likely that expenditure
would be maintained at around
the same level in 1980-81.

It was nonsense to talk about

would be maintained at around the same level in 1980-81.

It was nonsense to ralk about the cuts seriously affecting those who depended on the local authority personal social services. The Government had specifically asked local authorities to protect the most vulnerable and this was clearly happening.

In real terms the money available for the NHS was about 2.4 per cent more in 1980-81 than it was in 1978-79. It had made steady progress in reducing the national waiting list from the peak of 752,000 in March, 1979, to 641,000 in September 1980.

Total expenditure on the NHS in 1981-82 was expected to be some 1.4 per cent over the planned level of 1980-81.

Achievement of the develop-

level of 1980-81.

Achievement of the development planned was crucially dependent on responsible pay bargaining by NHS staff. Increases higher than the 6 per cent cash limit would eat into the money made available for service development.

ment. Lord Banks (L) said he was con-Lord Banks (L) said he was con-cerned that personal social services had been singled out for particu-larly severe treatment. He was struck by the small amount spent on those services compared with-other welfare benefits.

The Bishop of Liverpool sald

voluntary organizations, important as they were, could not carry the main load of care for the needlest. The belief that the community as a The belief that the community as a whole had that responsibility expressed an important moral principle. They should always beware of talking about cuts across the board; that meant one had abandoned any system of priorities.

Lord Soper (Lab) said that alongside the depletion of services there was a lamentable increase in the was a lamentoble increase in the amount charged for services that remained. If a week was a long time in politics an afternoon was a long time for an elderly person.

A long time for an elderly person.

depended on the re-creation of the power to create wealth. There was a limit to the expansion that was possible at a time when national wealth was not growing.

Wealth was not growing.

Lord Donaldson of Kingsbridge
(SDP) said the Government was
crossing the line which divided
acceptable economies from the imposition of unacceptable hardship
on innocent and defenceless

people.

Lady Elliot of Harwood (C) said services should be improved not by increasing debt or inflation but as things improved. Until that happened the country should live within its means.

The Bishop of Guildford said he questioned the justice of reducing social benefits in order to secure tax reductions for the more prosperous members of society. Lord Sefton of Garston (Lab) said if something was not done soon to convince people living in Merseyside, the North-East, Northern Ireland and other similar areas that there was hope for them, their parents and their families, society would perish—and in a nasty way. Lord Wallace of Costany (Lab) for the Opposition, said it was a said commentary of life in Britain that while money continued to be poured out during an economic recession to provide the means for destroying life, there was a reduc-tion of the means for assisting life and an imposed reduction of stand-

Lady Young. Minister of State for Education and Science, said whether they liked or not, there would not ultimately be better ser-vices in the country unless there was increased productivity from the wealth creating sectors. If there was increased economic be obtained by increased taxation or increased horrowing, which

built up problems for the future. The debate concluded. Parliamentary notices House of Commons

## strategy on target

There were more than 30,000 people under the age of 18 unemployed in Scotland in January, Mr Alexander Fletcher, Under Secretary of State for Scotland, said at question time.

question Diffe.

Mr Fletcher (Edinburgh, North, C): On April 5, 1979, 14,745 people under 18 years of age were registered as unemployed in Scotland. On January 15, 1981, the latest date for which information is available, the number was 30,623. These figures are not seasonally adjusted figures are not seasonally adjusted and the January figures are normally higher because of the December school leaving date.

Mr Norman Hosg (East Dunbartonsbire, Lab): That reply exposes this Government's disgraceful employment record. The Government's account has colment's economic policy has co lapsed. He should realize that he destroying the hopes and ambi-tions of young people. Will he admit his failures and agree to argue for a change of strategy? Mr. Fletcher: The Government's strategy is on target—(Labour laughter)—and we are tackling the problems we set out to tackle in the correct order of priority me correct order of priority
Mr Iain Sproat (Aberdeen, South,
C): There is an urgent need to
resuructure the apprenticeship system. Too often the present apprenticeship system operates both
against young people themselves
and against industry by being roo
rigid and concentrating too much
on time served rather than on

on time served rather than on standards and achievements. Mr Fletcher: I entirely agree. The Secretary of State for Employment (Mr James Prior) is busy studying this problem.

this problem.

Mr Martin O'Nell, an Opposition spokesman on Scotland (East Stirlingshire and Clackmannan, Lab): How does he hope to motivate young people at present in full-time education with unemployment figures like these? Is he prepared to consider seriously the mandatory grants system for those youngsters who are in full-time school. education and at the

Mr Fletcher. He is over pessimis-tic. Most youngsters in the YOP-70 per cent-achieve employment after five months and most of the school leavers who came out in December will find jobs within the

## Government Dismantling best way to reform CAP All that was left now wa-final sell-out which would place after the French preside

other countries of the Common Market had deteriorated, Mr Den-

other countries of the Common Market had deteriorated, Mr Densil Davles, an Opposition spokesman on foreign and Commonwealth affairs, said in opening a
debate on developments in the
European Community.

Mr Davles (Llanelli, Lab) said the
Government did not seem to-bave
the imagination or the strength to
propose and press for fundamental
reforms of the common agricultural policy, which was more
entrenched than ever.

The Government's negotiating
tactics, if they could be so described, had achieved nothing while
arousing the contempt of the
French and the anger of the Germans. After the last summit the
cry "Perfidious Albion" was
heard in the councils of Europe.

The only reform of the CAP
which would be worth while would
be just to dismanile it and let each
tountry in the EEC get on with
helping its own farmers and food
industry in ways best suited to its
traditions. economic background industry in ways best suited to its traditions, economic background and farming structure. He could

not believe that the security and prosperity of western Europe would be jeopardized by the disappearance of the CAP.

If the CAP had been bad for consumers and sections of British agriculture, the common fisheries policy looked like being a disaster for the British fishing industry.

Sir Ian Gilmour, Lord Privy Seal (Chesham and Amersham, C), said that EEC payments under the May 30 agrocment were being made on time. Before March 31, Britain had received £545m of that, £211m had

be paid in the autumn.

been paid under the financial mechanism: 75 per cent of Britain's estimated entitlement and ### under the supplementary measures scheme, \$1 per cent of the estimated entitlement. The re-mainder of the 1980 refund would

> It was wrong to imply that it was the Government's fault that there was not an agreement on a com-mon tisheries policy. Britain was ready but their French partners were not. Britain still was ready. that it could not agree to arrange-ments which did not allow for the vital interests of British fishermen. in British waters. It could not be called anti-communitate to refuse to give French fishermen priority over British fishermen in British

In future, the Community budget must not result in any member state being put in the unacceptable struction in which the Government situation in which the Government found itself in when it took office—that of bearing an excessively high proportion of the coat of the EEC. The Government was firmly opposed to raising the ceiling of 1 per cent VAT. The German and French Governments were firmly on the record with the same position.

A number of modest and welcome improvements in the CAP formed part of last week's settle-ment on agricultural prices. Much more thorough-going reforms

French not ready to reach agreement on fisheries permanent solution needs and interests of mer states so unacceptable situa did not arise in future. The allegation ther Britain

not prepared to obey the rule the EEC was wholly unfoun Anyone who made such su tions should specify which were being broken and observed.

The idea that it would have the better for the EEC to remail to Community of six seemed to parochial and out of touch

restructuring exercise in a spiri cooperation and with confide Much was at stake on both side We wish the said) to see a ( munity greatly strengthened an agreed common fisheries po with less costly agricultural fulling which does not encourage production of surpluses, and budgetary system which is estable.

from some Labour MPs of widrawal or more curious notions a sort of elective members. There was also talk of withdrafrom the legal commitment enforce EEC legislation, and entiment of only those EEC laws the Parliament agreed. Quite as from the legal impossibility, the partners would not stand for a stwo-faced commitment. The economic problems could resolved in a way which benefit. resolved in a way which benefit everyone. There had been so

## Call for rethink of EEC initiative on Middle East

thought. It was unlikely to preserve the kind of peace they were seeking.

Mr Richard Body (Holland with Boston, C) said that before Brhain entered the Community they were exporting 28 per cent more in manufactured reads than they were importing. Now it was if per cent less, How many jobs had been lost and how many factories closed as a result of that grave deterioration in trading relationships with the Community?

Thousands of people in Though World sugar producing community were indusper of lossing there has a few of the Community control of dumping vast quantities of sugar were in danger of lossing there has a few of the Community control of dumping vast quantities of sugar for dumping the formation of the Community would do prefound economic and political damage not only to this country but to the economic and political stability of the whole western ellipsee.

With the threat that masted in the East, and when the direction of the new American Administra-

With the terest that existed in the East, and when the direction of the new American Administra-tion was far from clear it seemed mad to contemplate weekening rather than strengthening they with become a natural other

CI and the Polish deer in other countries we over spagns and on top of that Polish was heards in debted for the current trade balance of payments to private sector basis.

real the Community needed some thing more than an undertaking in do som thing at an appropriate time! That was 100 vanile Mr Robert MacLennan (Carthness

Mr Laurence Pavitt (Brent, Subta, Lab) said the EEC initiative on the Middle Earn ignored the reactives and sought a blueprint with which, under the guise of being an honest broker, they had put forward a fairly loaded kind of solution to the difficulties of the commines in that pert, of the world.

The initiative should he rethought, it was unlikely to preserve the kind of peace they were seeking.

Mr. Austin Mitchell (Grimsb Lab) and the only solution to it deadlock on fisheries was to t what the Conservative Party ma firsts. fests promised—if the negations broke down, the Coverned should take unilateral nation

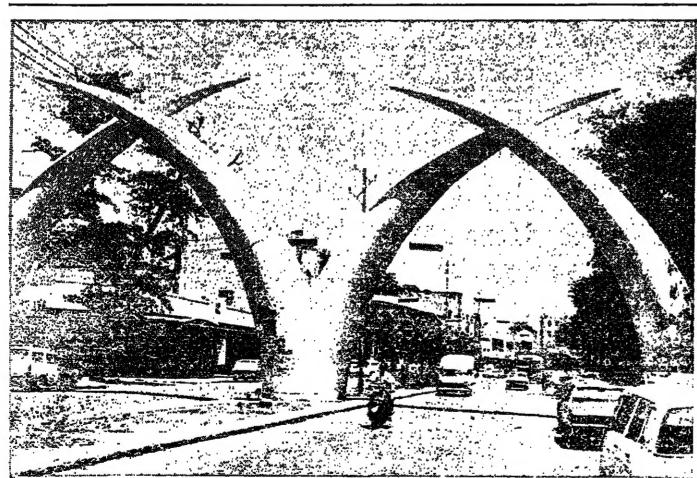
Mr. Edward Taylor (Southern Earl, C) said that it had been obtained in EUC negotiations the the Commentative's manifests consistent to reduce structural surplies, was not a starter, if ther was no be, any progress in the European Comments of the August Market of the Comment o

Mr Roland Single, for the Oppos tron (Lewishean, East, Lab) set nowhere was a divergence between United States and European of Cies more possible and more like to be counter-productive than to the case of the Middle East. United States and European poliis that the substantial effect of sharply focusing interest on the stal interests of the Palestinians 2 party in the negotiations. That

wal to be welcomed.

The sum must be to fry to the condition American and Euremeen profices and not to try to demonstrate that western Europe, was better than the United Statistics of colonic Middle East problems. See Ian Gilmour, replying said they could not go on changing their minds on the political decision token by the Contervative Party, Furtiement and the people of the country, merely because the Labour Party went on changing it mind. was to be welcomed.

That did not mean that the should not seek the hest economic and financial arrangement; and track down and chantate the hear uties and influers where the existed. There would alway be some of those. The Government differed strongly from the Link Englander approach of the Oppur



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## Europe almost at stagnation point

Strasbourg The EEC Commission would not for an agreement on fishing Mr Gaston Thorn, President of the Commission, said in a debate on the outcome of the EEC summit meeting in Maastricht last month. rishing has taken on a symbolic value (he said). Why hide the fact that the European council was a failure? It is not up to me to list responsibility for the failure, but the Commission is propaged to take we discount to the commission is prepared to take up the discussion

again,
Criticism of the outcome of the Cribcism of the outcome of the suminit had been exaggerated. Of course the meeting had not been particularly exhilarating. No historical decision were taken, but who was expecting them? The meeting had shown that, given the problems over fishing and agriculture. Europe was cohestive and had the confidence to be able to discuss its major problems. The Commission and the Parliament (he said) are aware that the working of the Community is not perfect. There is almost a latter of stagnation but, given the prevalence of the economic crists and this instable world in stagnation but.

live. Europe is the only credible course for resulving these diffi-rulties.

Mr Chris van de Klaauw, President

of the EEC Council of Ministers and Foreign Minister of the Netherlands, said that he hoped a common fisheries policy would emerge when the time was ripe in a few months.

The immediate problems of recession faced by the Community were structural, and they called for a structural medium-term policy to create the prospects for more favourable employment. Short-term policies to stimulate demand would lead to nowhere, or worse, to the destruction of the prospect for a long-term

or worse, to the destruction of the prospect for a long-term Horst Langes (Germany, kPP) said that the EEC had to make extraordinary efforts If Poland asked for extraordinary and. His group called on the Com-mission to eliminate immediately the problems which were hamper-ing the rapid supply of food aid to Poland. The transport costs for the fond should be tinanced from the Community budget. Lord Bethell (London, North West, ED) said that the peuple of Poland and Afghanistan had a common cause against the better common cause against the belief in the Kremlin and of President Brezhnev that the Soviet Union was entitled to Surround fixelf by a ring of buffer states and to occupy with its military forces those countries on its burders. M Jacques Moreau (France, Soc) said that in Europe industrial production was falling rapidly and dramatically, unemployment increasing with particular effects for people section, and other productions. creasing with particular effects for young people, women and older workers, and restructuring had been rendered more difficult and the results more and more hap-

hazard.

We see emerging in Europe (he said) a climate of resignation and evolcism. This is dangerous and unacceptable. It is the outcome

of a lack of will, a lack of action Herr Egon Klepsch (Germany, EPP) said that the summit did not

EPP) said that the summit did not satisfy anyone.

Lady Elles (Thames Valley, ED), said that the Council had failed to give the leadership which was wanted from it. There was one climmer of hope. At least the Council had looked more critically at some of the social and economic shibboleths which had destroyed the economies. Wage indexing had been a contributory cause of inflation. The Community had the highest gross domestic product in the world.

the world.

Mr Arie de Goede (Netherlands, Ind) said that Mrs Margaret Thatcher, the United Kingdom Prime Minister, had insisted on going her own way on Iran and she had new refused to make any concessions on fishing. He was ashamed at the inflexibility of the Council towards the major orob. Council towards the major prob-lems lacing the Community. Herr Rudi Arndt (Germany, Suc) said that lisheries was a classic example of how in a simple Issue anti-European sentiment could be

aroused. European solidarity was not a one-way street. This (he continued) has to be spelled out to the British Prime Minister Mr Adam Ferguson (Strathelyde, West, ED) said Herr Arndt's re-marks had been invidious and

marks had been Invidious and odious.

It should worry MPs that the fishing industries of half a dozen countries needed an agreement desperately now that the heads of state could do nothing better than express concern and invite the fishery Ministers to try again. Mr Nicolas Estgen (Luxembourg, EPP) sand that the summit had not advanced the European cause. Strategies on security and defence were still lacking.

As for the vexed question of the permanent site of the parliament, the solution of the status quo, if that was a solution, was far from satisfactory.

that was a solution, was far from satisfactory.

Too much propaganda was made of the meeting of the heads of government. The best thing would be to have the meeting but without an official communique. What was the value of a communique which was so vague as the last one?

European institutions would Parliament and the Commission Bertain attendation; the with would have to establish their etlationship in the face of a Council which consisted of different ministers who often contradicted one another.

If we are realize to establish the point of the Polish debt of other countries we were \$20,000 and on the sters who often contradicted one debted for its current trade balance of payments to provide anginer.

If we are going to get rid of the present magnition (he continued) governments will have to get regether and each have a constitution for European afters.

If we are going to get rid of the present magnation the continued covernments will have to get rogether and each have a co-ordinator for European affairs. Mr Van De Klaauw, replying, said that Europe could only be democratic when it had a Parliament which spoke on a European basis, Ton many of the speeches in the debate had expressed national interests. The Parliament most be European, just as the Council with all its difficulties, must try to flunk European.

The debate recollected.

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## No need to cut cornices

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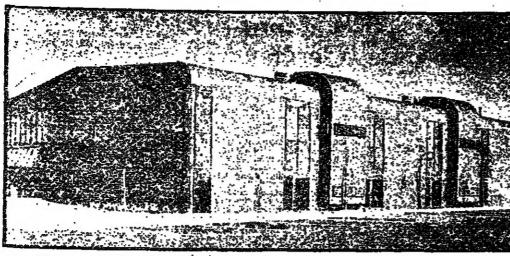
a matter of choice."

Much of the pleasure people obtain from historic buildings derives from their architectural detail. Pevsner, that unparal-leled architectural topographer, leled architectural topographer, can spend almost an entire page dissecting the details of one portion of, say, Salisbury Cathedral, whetting one's appetite with glimpses of mouldings, stiff leaf sprays; lancets, crockets, cinquecusps, spandrels and paterae.

At the back of each of his volumes, there are 23 pages explaining architectural terms and details which encompass the entire vocabulary of pre-Modern Movement architecture. Through such details a building might gain its proportion, its elegance, its decorativeness and its delight. However, pioneering Modern Movement architects sought to achieve these qualities by other methods: architecture, wrote Le Corbusier, is "the masterly, correct and magnificent play of masses brought together in light". So out went everything else.

That does not mean that modern architects have not gone on (at considerable lengths) about detailing. That Woran of modern architecture, Mies Van Der Rohe, solemnly declared that "God is in the details"; so it is clear that what the traditionalists and what the moderns understood by the word "detail" must differ. Otherwise Mies must have been consigning most modern archi-tecture, including his own, to the realms of godlessness.

The bits of historic architec-ture that attract affection derive mainly from two sources: either the celebration of some necessary function, such as producing a gigantic carved head as the keystone for a doorway, or the creation of a composite piece of architecture by the build-up of many little details, such as the patterned brickwork in Butter-field's churches. Opportunities accurred wherever two mat-







timber doorframe in a plaster wall, which provides scope for some of those splendidly carved architraves.

Frequently, save in the incised Greek Key decoration used by Hawksmoor and Soane, the details projected from the flat plane of the walls, creating relief and texture. The details usually changed with the technology of the time: with the arrival of cast iron and trains, the foliate decoration in railway stations was created in cast iron instead of stone. Its purpose was still to enhance the structure in which it was set.

There is some debate as to

who was responsible for much historic architectural detail. Wren and other great architects (including most of the Arts and Crafts architects and Sir Robert Lorimer), having sketched out the disposition of what was required, left the detail to craftsmen or masons. It is possible that the thought of spending days designing win-dow frames to keep the water out would never have occurred to them as a duty of the architect: that was the job of the builder. Yet nowadays, to most architects detail is not a matter of aesthetics but purely of how one thing fits to the

Indisfarme Priory, Right: Detail in Castle Street, Nottingham. next. The cusps and spandrels have been replaced by a new panoply of polycarbon sealants, epoxy resins, mastics, polycarbonates, joint compounds, granules, chipboards, plasterboards, wood substitutes, composites and polyester based bituminous waterproofing bituminous waterproofing membrane systems (whatever

they may be).

The 23 pages of Pevsner's details would have to be multiplied by several thousand were space to be made for the regu-lations now governing the use of such materials. The resulting concentration on the practical has been wholly at the expense of the architectural.

It is clear that modern architects have reduced the concept of the detail to a joint. Strong feelings are held as to how the joints are to be achieved. Mies Van Der Rohe had Calvinist views: his dictum "less is more" meant, in effect, that the more invisible the detailing, the finer it was.

Architects made pilgrimages to
Chicago to admire a brick and
steel corner in one of his buildings that almost wasn't there. Far from a celebrated detail projecting from the building plane, the joints or junctions would be recessed.

One of the best exemplars of this approach is the splendidly sleek and mechanistic Sains steek and mechanistic Sains-bury Centre in Norwich, de-signed by Norman Foster, Foster is one of the true inheritors of the 1930s architectural preoccupation with ocean liners, limousines and aircraft, He can wax terribly enthusiastic about neoprene gaskets.

The problem lies with the fact that new materials and con-struction techniques coincided with an austere view of aesthetics in which delightful details were rejected as im-moral, Consequently, only rare-ly have architects tried to use ly have architects tried to use modern materials in an appro-priate way to celebrate details. One of those few, Pring, White & Partners, in Islington, realiz-ing that they would have to install concrete window lintels in a scheme, went to the trouble of having the lintels specially moulded (at no extra cost). The result is a bit half-hearted, but it represents a step forward. By contrast, the last scheme of Tayler and Green, in Norwich, is a riot of detail, from knapped flint to bargeboarding: so much so that it is almost indigestible and inappropriate.

What is perhaps most import ant is that those who are in a position to commission buildings should realize that the current architectural austerity is not a matter of inevitability, arising from modern matterials and methods: but a matter of choice. Perhaps the time is approaching when architects will begin once more to take a pleasure in details and begin to celebrate necessary junctions in a deliability way. a delightful way.

If anything, the availability of modern manufacturing tech-niques creates greater oppor-tunities for architects to create finer details than ever was possible when each had to be chiselled out by a mason.

Charles McKean Architectural Correspondent

## Rites of spring in the kitchen



Shona Crawford Poole

Classic fairy tales are said to contain information and atti-tudes of importance to the developing psyches of the young. Between once upon a time and happily ever after even the most gruesome stories communicate truths honed by generations of telling, and do so on several levels. They seem to work their mysterious magic or adults too, for they are curious ly satisfying compared with modern sagas of everyday or

extra-terrestrial life. The time bonoured observ ance of major festivals has a comparable capacity to meet deeply felt human needs for continuity. The connecting from pagan rites of spring to gaudily beribboned chocolate eggs has as much to do with celebrating new life in the fields as it does with Christ's Resurrection. Which is why egg rolling and other Easter customs survive as folklore and custom even in places where religious practice is forbidden or forgotten in the age of the

microchip.
At one time simmel cakes were made for Mothering Sunday. That was when the day was a celebration of the Mother Church and not a sentimentally commercialized occasion for floral offerings to maternal parents. So it might be seen as no bad thing that simnel cake is now associated firmly with Easter, as are the plainest of the cake's traditional decorations, 11 small balls of marzipan to symbolize the apostles who remained faithful to Christ.

Like all fairly rich fruit cakes, simnel cake is best baked a week or more before it is to be eaten. There is no need to make the marzipan if you can buy good quality almond paste. But beware of brightly coloured cheap varieties which may contain filler in place of a proportion of

When the cake is quite cold, remove it from the tin and strip off the papers. Brush the top with apricot jam. Make 11 small Simmel cake Makes one cake 170g (60z) ground almonds balls with a little of the remaining marzipan and roll out the rest to top the cake. Place the marzipan circle on the cake 170g (602) caster sugar I large egg, beaten A few drops of almond essence

110g (4oz) butter 110g (4oz) granulated or soft 170g (6oz) plain flour

4 teaspoon salt 4 teaspoon ground mixed spice 3 large eggs, beaten 110g (4oz) currants

110g (4oz) raisins

110g (4oz) sultanas 1 tablespoon finely grated orange zest 1 tablespoon apricot jam

egg, besten to glaze Line an 18cm (7in) deep cake tin with buttered greasep paper or baking parchment. To make the marzi

To make the marzipan combine the ground almond and caster sugar and mix with enough beaten egg to form a soft dough. Add the almond essence and knead the mixture until it is smooth. Divide the marzipan in halves and roll out one piece to make an 18cm (7in) circle. Wrap the remainder and set it aside for decorating the

To make the cake, cream the butter and granulated or soft brown sugar in a large bow until the mixture is pale and fluffy. Sift together the flour, salt and spices and beat a spoonful into the creamed mixture. Beat in the eggs, a bittle at a time, adding a spoonful of the flour mixture from time to time to make sure the mixture does not curdle. Fold in the remaining flour, the fruit and orange zest. Mix them well together.
Turn half the cake mixtur

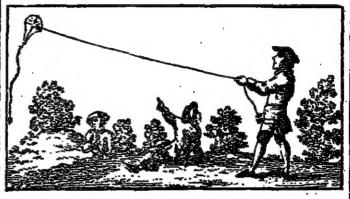
into the prepared tin and spread the top flat. Lay the circle of marzipan on top and cover it with the remaining cake mixture. Smooth the top and make a shallow depression in the centre. Bake the cake in a preheated cool oven (160 C/325°F, gas mark 3) for about 1% hours. Cool the cake and arrange the balls evenly round the edge. Brush the marzipan with beaten egg and brown the glaze by baking the cake for about 10 minutes in a preheated moderate (180°C/350°F, gas mark 4). Allow the cake to become quite cold before storing it in an airtight container.

Eggs are symbolic of Easter ilmost everywhere it is celebrated, and various sorts of paked egg custards or custard tarts are almost as common. The easterly wind which often blows at this time of year is actually called a custard wind in parts of northern England.

Pastel de Pascua, the Easter custard of the Balearic Islands, sounds more interesting than our own dear nursery pudding, but the Mallorcan recipe, which includes a lot of biscuit crumbs as well as cinnamon, and orange and lemon zest, produces a disappointingly stodgy pudding. Do try adding a tablespoon or two of finely grated orange and lemon zest to an egg custard, though. It really is a pleasant change from the ubiquitous

Another recipe made especially for Easter is fritters of soft ricotta cheese which turn out like small, sayoury doughnuts. In Tuscany they are most often served together with vegetable fritters, spinach and broccoli, but they are just as nice on their own as a first course, or with drinks.

For Easter, ricotta frittera are flavoured with grappa, a brandy distilled from the skins, pips and stalks of grapes after they have been pressed for wine making. Later in the year when fresh basil is available, its wonderfully fragrant leaves make a splendid alternative flavouring.



Frittura de ricotta Pasqualina Serves four to six

225g (8oz) ricorta cheese 85g (3oz) plain flour 3 teaspoons baking powder

Salt and freshly ground black pepper to taste

1 teaspoon finely grated lemo:

3 tablespoons grapps or rough brandy

Put all the ingredients in a bowl and mix them thoroughly together. Cover the mixture and set it aside for about an hour.

Deep fry the fritters, a few at a time, at about 190°C/375°F. At this temperature a one inch cube of day old bread will brown in about 60 seconds. Drop small teaspoonfuls of the mixture into hot oil (peanut oil is particularly good) and fry them for about one minute them for about one minute, until the flour is cooked and the fritters are golden brown. Sprinkle them with salt and.

serve very hot. Cream cheese confections, of which the best known is Russian pashka, are much in evidence at Easter time. Less common is the home made Finnish cheese hamelainen Pääsiäisjuusto, or Ester cheese of Hame. It is fun to make and the result, rather, like solid cottage cheese, goes well with fresh fruit, and could be used in rresn rrue, and could be used in cheeseeske and other recipes which call for fresh curd cheese. I used vegetarian rennet from a health food shop. But as different types have varying strengths, adjust the amount according to the instructions supplied.

Hämeläinen Pääsiáisjuusto Makes about 225g (80z)

1.5 litres (21/2 pints) fresh milk

1 large egg % teaspoon cheese rennet diluted in I tablespoon water

Warm 1.2 litres (two pints) of the milk to 80°C/175°F, and remove it from the heat. At this temperature you probably won't be able to hold your finger in the milk for more than two or

three seconds.

Beat together the remaining milk and egg, and strain this mixture into the bot milk. Stir in the diluted rennet and mix well. Leave the mixture to stand until cold.

Line a large sieve or colander with a clean teacloth or muslin and pour in the curds. Leave them to drip until the whey has drained out. Discard the whey. Line a small souffle dish or loaf: tin with foil and press the curds into it. Bake the cheese in a preheated very hot oven (250°C/500°F, gas mark 9) for 10 minutes. Cool and drain the cheese. Sprinkle it with a little salt and refrigerate the cheese until needed.

#### · Law Report **April 8 1981**

Rank Film Distributors Ltd and Others v Video Information Centre (a firm) and Others Sefore Lord Wilberforce, Lord Diplock, Lord Fraser of Tully-belton, Lord Russell of Killowen and Lord Roskill

The House of Lords upheld an objection by proposed defendant to an action for infringement of copyright in films that an Anton Piller order, made ex parte by a judge on the film companies' application, would require them to answer questions and disclose information which would put them in danger of self-incrimination in criminal proceedings for con-spiracy to defraud, and so violate the privilege against self-incrimi-nation, which was one of the basic

Lord Fraser said that if, as the Lord Fraser said that if, as the House held, the objection was well founded, the usefulness of the Amon Piller type of order, developed in the Chancery Division and widely used in recent rears to prevent acts of industrial piracy, would be "much reduced if not practically destroyed".

Lord Russell suggested that legic. Lord Russell suggested that legis-lation might be the most effective way to protect owners of valuable

Their Lordships dismissed an interiocutory appeal by Rank Film Distributors Ltd and five other large film companies from the Court of Appeal (Lord Justice Bridge and Lord Justice Templeman, the Master of the Rolls dispension) (The Times February 13man, the Master of the Rolls dis-senting! (The Times. February 18, 1980; [1980] 3 WLR 487], which had allowed an appeal by defen-dants. Video Information Centre (a firm), Mr Michael Anthony Lie and Ms Susau Gomberg, the centre's owners, Stylestone Ltd and Videochord Ltd, against the refusal of Mr Justice Whitford to Vary orders made by Mr Justice refusal of Mr Justice Whitford to vary orders made by Mr Justice Walton on an application ex parte by the film companies on July 2 and 5, 1979. The defendants objected that if the orders were complied with they might expose themselves to criminal proceed-ings.

ings.

Mr Donald Nicholls, QC, Mr
Hugh Laddie and Mr Jeremy
Davies for the film companies;
Mr Colin Ross-Muuro, QC, and
Mr Damiel Serota for the defen-

LORD WILBERFORCE said that LORD WILBERFORCE said that the two interlocutory orders made by Mr Justice Walton were of a type which bad come to be known as Anton Piller orders, so called after a tortious infringer of copyright whose case reached the Court of Appeal in 1976 ([1976] Ch 55).

They were designed to deal with situations created by infringe-

situations created by infringe-ments of patents, trade marks and copyright, or more correctly with acts of piracy which had become a large and profitable business in recent years. They were intended to provide a quick and efficient means of recovering infringing pricted. articles and discovering the sources from which those articles had been supplied and the persons to whom they were distributed before those concerned had had before those concerned had had time to destroy or conceal them.

Their essence was surprise. Because they operated drastically and because they were made, necessarily, ex parte — before the persons affected had been heard — they were closely controlled by the court. Tac, were only granted on clear and compelling evidence, and a number of safeguards in the interest of preserving essential rights were introduced.

Tha House was here concerned

with video tapes of illms. The plaintiffs represented the owners of the copyright in nearly every

## Self-incrimination limitation on Anton Piller orders

feature film in the English language shown in this country, many of them very valuable properties. The defendants were persons alleged to be concerned with the wholesale pirating of those films by distributing video tapes illegally made from master tapes, themselves made from the original 35mm films, copyright in which belonged to the plaintiffs. Those concerned in the present appeal were effectively Mr Lee and Ms Gomberg who owned the Video Information Centre. The sixth defendant. Mr Michael George Dawson, who owned or controlled Stylestone Lid and between whom and Lee/Gomberg a business rela-Stylestone Lid and between whom and Lee/Gomberg a business relationship appeared to exist, had a laboratory in Loughton. Essex, which was raided by the police in April, 1979. Four hundred illicit copy films were select. Mr Dawson was in course of being prosecuted on charges of alleged conspiracy to defraud. He was not a party to the present appeal.

So far as Lee/Gomberg were

So far as Lee/Gomberg were concerned, the evidence was strong and clear that they had

strong and clear that they had engaged in the distribution and sale of pirated copy video tapes on a very large scale. It amply satisfied the requirements laid down by the Chancery judges for the making of an Anton Piller order. The case was one for an order to be made in such terms as would give the maximum legally possible protection to the plaintiffs, to whose business the defendants' activities represented a major threat.

plaintiffs, to whose outsides defendants' activities represented a major threat.

The main question was whether Mr Lee and Ms Gomberg could avail themselves of the privilege against self-incrimination in order to deprive the plaintiffs of an important part of the relief which they sought. It might seem to be a strange paradox that the worse, the more criminal, their activities could be made to appear, the less effective was the civil remedy that could be granted: but that, prima facie, was what the privilege achieved. The orders under appeal were elaborate. The third of seven heads was: "The defendants Michael Anthony Lee and Susan Gomberg do each forthwith disclose to the person who shall serve this order upon them the names and addresses of all persons firms or companies known serve this order upon them the names and addresses of all persons firms or companies known to them (i) to whom or to which the defendants or one or more of them have supplied or offered to supply illicit copy films or films used or intended to be used for making illicit copy films with the quantities and dates thereof (ii) who have supplied or offered to supply the defendants or one or more of them with Illicit copy films or films used or intended to be used for making illicit copy films with the quantities and dates thereof and till who are engaged in the production distribution offer for sale or sale of illicit copy films."

For present purposes, the orders made fell under three heads. (1) Requiring the defendants to supply information. (2) Requiring them to allow access to premises for the purpose of looking for filicit copy films and to allow their being removed to affects of the purpose of looking for filicit copy films and to allow their being removed to disclose and produce documents.

The orders under (2) were

ments.
The orders under (2) were upheld by the Court of Appeal.
There was jurisdiction to make those orders and the privilege against self-incrimination had no The House was here concerned application to them. That privilege the video tapes of films. The was invoked in regard to (1) and

whether the provision of the information or production of the documents might tend to incriminate the defendants. There were three heads of criminal liability. (1) Section 21 of the Copyright Act, 1956, created summary offences under a number of headings, some of which would potentially apply to the defendants. For a first offence there was a maximum fine of 550. (2) Conspiracy to commit a breach of Section 21. By virtue of the Crimiual Law Act, 1977, no greater punishment could be imposed for such a conspiracy than, for the

punisument could be imposed for such a conspiracy than, for the substantive offence under section 21. (3) Conspiracy to defraud— an offence at common law left unaffected by the 1977 Act. A substantial argument could be raised that (1) and (2) should not be taken account of in connexion with a claim for privilege. The criminal offences created by secwith a claim for privilege. The criminal offences created by section 21 covered almost precisely the same ground as the bases for civil liability under the 1956 Act. Elis Lordship would be reluctant to hold that in civil proceedings for infringement based on specified acts the defendants could

ctaim privilege against discovery on the ground that those same acts established a possible liability for a petty offence. In practice, section 21 was rarely invoked; and potential liability under it might well be disregarded as totally insubstantial. The same argument would apply to conspiracy to breach it.

Could not be said that charges full scope was given to the privilege against self-incrimination, loge against self-incrimination, potential plaintiffs, in the area of industrial property, would fail to agreed in them was dishonesty, get a remedy in the civil courts. Mr Nicholis was at pains to make under section 21, but which might substantial. The same argument also made it more likely that lege against self-incrimination, over wide, extended to criminal potential plaintiffs, in the area of industrial property, would fail to agreed in them was dishonesty, get a remedy in the civil courts. Mr Nicholis was at pains to make under section 21, but which might to negate or undermine the privilege against self-incrimination, but charges under section 21 industrial property, would fail to agreed in them was dishonesty, get a remedy in the civil courts. Mr Nicholis was at pains to make the was not attempting to negate or undermine the privilege against self-incrimination, but charges under section 21 industrial property, would fail to get a remedy in the civil courts. Mr Nicholis was at pains to make the was not attempting to negate or undermine the privilege.

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not. The much beavier penalties also made it more likely that charges would be brought of conspiracy to defraud. Unless some escape from that conclusion could

However, it was only too clear (and his Lordship deliberated) escape from that conclusion could used the language of reluctance) that supply of the information and production of the documents sought would tend to expose the defendants to a charge of conspiratory to defraud. In the very nature of that activity, a number of persons were certain to be involved—in printing the master tapes, copying from the master tapes, copying from the master tapes, and distributing the likicit copies. A charge of coaspiracy to defraud, so far from being a contrived addition to other charges, was here an appropriate and exact description of what was being and. So far from it being contrived, fanciful, or imagined, it was the charge on which Mr Nicholls—courageously attempted to suggest an escape route. The courts, be submitted, by the former possible self-incrimination with doing justice without doing justice without denying protection. It was all the more necessary to find a flex-inclination which formerly involved civil liability only were now, by trived, fanciful, or imagined, it was the charge on which. Mr were now offences under the Dawson was to stand trial. It

to negate of undermine the privi-lege against self-incrimination. It had been too long established in our law as a basic liberty of the subject to be denied.

ing mechanism was missing. After it had become apparent to the farmer that the locking mechanism of the coupling was broken, and consequently was no longer in the state as when it was de-

ceedings were inadmissible in criminal proceedings. His Lordship did not think that

His Lordship did not think that adequate protection could be given by extracting from the plaintiffs, as a term of being granted an Anton Piller order, an undertaking not to use the information obtained in criminal proceedings. Even if such an undertaking were bluding, the protection was only partial-against prosecution by the plaintiff himself. Moreover, whatever direct use might or might not be made of information given, or material disclosed, under the com-

but probably the intended result. The party from whom disclosure was asked was entitled, on established law, to be protected from those consequences.

Mr Nicholls had suggested that protection could be given by a hearing, wholly or in part, in camera. But such procedure was totally alien, except in the most exceptional cases, to our proce.

distribution for his liability to the ultimate consumer for damages for physical injuries, such economic loss was not recoverable under the Demoghue v Stevenson principle from the manufacturer.

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against self-incrimination was capable of attaching in cases such as the present, that should not prevent the order for information and production being made: the defendant should be left to raise the question of privilege, if he wished, and if necessary the court, should rule on it.

the orders were intended to take effect immediately on the arrival of the plaintiff's representatives at the defendant's premises, and if the defendant were to refuse to comply, even in reliance on the privilege, he might, at least technically, be liable in contempt. That problem was not for the House to resolve. Attention could merely be drawn to it, and in due course, no doubt, forms of order would be worked out which would would be worked out which would enable the orders to be as effec-tive as practicable while preservtive as practicable while preserving the defendant's essential rights. All that the House could do was to decide that the privilege, against self-ortinination was capable of being invoked. His Lordship would so decide.

As to the order, made, the delendants said that some were too widely expressed, in particular one which required each defendant to disclose the whereabouts of all illicit copy films or masters for making the same

masters for making the seme known to that defendant. The proper forum for those points to be raised was in the Chancery Division before judges particularly experienced in the training and controlling of interlocutory. controlling of interlocutory

orders. His Lordship would dismiss the present appeal.

Lord Diplock agreed with the speech of Lord Wilberforce.

LORD FRASER, concurring, said that Anton Piller orders, which had tended gradually to increase in stringers. But had been crease in stringency, had been found effective and had been made in England, New Zealand, South Africa, Australia and eisewhere. Now for the first time the defendants had objected to making discovery and to answering the interrogatories on the ground that has oding they might incriminate. by so doing they might incriminate themselves. If the objection was well founded, the usefulness of the Anton Piller type of order would be much reduced if not practically destroyed.

practically destroyed.

Of the three suggested offences, if the defendants were compelled to disclose the information mentioned in the parts of the orders to which they objected, conspiracy to defraud was a serious offence. The risk of those who dealt in or manufactured filicit films being prosecuted for it was by no means remote or fanciful. Indeed Mr Dawson was now facing prosecution on that ground for the matters with which the appeal was concerned.

concerned.
His Lordship reached the conclusion, with some regret, that the defendants' objection based on the fear of self-incrimination was well founded and ought to be upheld.

went to be upheld.

LORD RUSSELL, concurring with the speeches delivered, said that inasmuch as the application of the privilege in question could go a long way in the present and other analogous fields to deprive the owner of his lust rights to the protection of his property his Lordship would welcome legislation somewhat on the lines of section 31 of the Theft Act: the aim of such legislation should be to remove the privilege while at the same time preventing the use in criminal proceedings of statements which otherwise had been privileged. privileged.

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Lexmend (Basingstoke) Ltd v Lewis and Others Before Lord Diplock, Lord Elwyn-Jones, Lord Fraser of Tullybelton, Lord Scarman and Lord Bridge

A farmer who negligently con-A farmer who negligently continued to use a defectively designed and dangerous trailer coupling after its handle was broken was not entitled to have the dealers from whom he bought it indemnify him in respect of damages awarded against him as a result of the trailer careering across the road and killing and injuring occupants of a car coming in the opposite direction.

The House of Lords allowed an

in the opposite direction.

The House of Lords allowed an appeal by the dealers, Lexingad (Basingstoke) Ltd. from a decision of the Court of Appeal (Lord Justice Stephenson, Lord Justice Riskill and Lord Justice Lawton) ([1980] 2 WLR 299) (sub nom Lambert and Another v Lewis and Others) who had allowed an appeal by the farmer. Mr Donald R. Lewis, from a judgment of Mr Justice Stocker ([1979] RTR 61). Mr Justice Stocker had held that the coupling, manufactured Mr Justice Stocker had beld that the coupling, manufactured by B. Dixon-Bate Ltd, was defective in design and dangerous in use on the public highway as was readily foreseeable by an appropriately skilled engineer considering the problem and that the farmer was negligent in continuing for months to use the coupling, which had become plainly damaged, without taking steps to have it repaired or ascertain whether or not it was safe to continue to use it in such condicontinue to use it in such continue to use it in such condi-tion. His Lordship had deter-mined that the farmer was 25 per cent and the manufacturers were 75 per cent to blame, and he so apportioned agreed damages of \$45,000 in an action by the widow and daughter who survived the accident in which her husband and son were killed in 1972. Mr Justice Stocker dismissed the larmer's claim for indemnity against the dealers in third party proceedings and a similar claim

application to them. That privilege was invoked in regard to (1) and (3).

The essential question was

by the dealers against the manu-facturers in fourth party proceed-

breach it.

However, it was only too clear (and his Lordship deliberately used the language of reluctance) that supply of the information and production of the documents

LORD DIPLOCK, with whose speech all their Lordships agreed, said that counsel had estimated that the hearing in the House would also take at least seven days and that it would be necessary to

The respect which under the

The respect which under the common law was paid to precedent made it tempting to the appellant advocate to cite a plethora of authorities which did no more than illustrate the application to particular facts of a well-established principle of law that had been clearly stated in what by consensus of Bench and Bar and academic writers had come to be treated as the levaling case. The citation of a plethora of illustrative authorities, epart from being time and cost-consuming, presented the danger of so blinding the court with case law that it had difficulty in seeing the wood of legal principle for the trees of paraphrase. His Lordship could not help thinking tout that must

paraphrase. His Lordship could not help thinking that that must have happened in the present case. The farmer's case against the dealers, by the time it reached the Court of Appeal, was based exclusively on breach of a contractual warranty. The question of legal principle involved was: "In what circumstances can a party (A) to a contract who had been found liable for breach of a duty of care owned by him to a stranger (X) to the contract, recover from the other party (B) to the contract as damages for breach of werranty

as damages for breach of werranty the amount of the damages for negligence which A himself has

The question was said by Lord Esher to have arisen for the first

cite a very large number authorities, both English

Danger of citing a plethora of authorities

ing of negligence; allowed his appeal for indemnity against the dealers in respect of the danages he was ordered to pay, and dismissed the dealers' appeal in the fourth party proceedings against the manufacturers. The appeal in the House of Lords was brought in the House of Lords was brought in the third and fourth party proceedings alone.

Mr Michael Turner, QC, Mr Parrick Phillips, QC, and Mr Timothy Lamb for the dealers; Mr Roy Beldam, QC, and Mr R. F. Nelson for the farmer; Mr Piers Ashworth, QC, and Mr R. J. D. Livesey for the manufacturers.

LORD DIPLOCK, with whose speech all their Lordsbips agreed. caution, he may recover over from someone with whom he has a contract only if, by that contract, the other contracting party has warranted that he need not—there

warranted that he need not—there is no necessity—take the very precaution for the failure to take which he has been held liable in law to [X]."

Mr Justice Stocker had found that there was no express warranty of the quality of the coupling or its fitness for the purpose of towing trailers. The farmer was driven to rely on the implied warranties under section 14(1) and (2) of the Sale of Goods Act, 1893 (in its unamended form), but it was only necessary to refer to the warranty under subsection (1), that the coupling as fitted should be reasonably fit for towing trailers futed with either cup-shaped or ring-type means of attachment. Fitness in courext plainly included a

in context plainly included a warranty that it might be so used on a public highway without danger to other road users. The implied warranty of firness for a particular purpose related to the goods at the time of delivery

under the contract of sale in the state in which they were delivered. It was a communing warranty that the goods would continue to be fit for that purpose for a reasonable time after delivery, so long as they remained in the same apparent state as that in which they were delivered, apart from normal wear and tear. What was a reasonable time would depend on the nature of the goods.

The warranty was still continuing up to the date, some three to
six months before the accident,
when it first became known to the
farmer that the handle of the lock-

same state as when it was de-livered, the only implied warranty which could justify his failure to take the precaution either to get it mended or at least to find our whether it was safe to continue to use it in that condition, would be a warrain; that the coupling could continue to be safely used to tow a trailer on a public highway not-withstanding that it was in an obviously, demaged state. Any implication of a warranty in those terms needed only to be stated to be rejected. So the farmer's claim against the dezlers failed in liming. The issue of causation on which The issue of causation on which the farmer's claim against the dealers depended was whether his negligence resulted directly and naturally, in the ordinary course of events, from the dealers' breach of warranty. Manifestly it did not. In his Lordship's view the statement of Lord Justice Winn in Hudley's case correctly stated the orinciple of law applicable to the principle of law applicable to the farmer's claim against the dealers for breach of warranty and was fatal to its success. Accordingly the dealers' appeal in the third party proceedings should be allowed. allowed.

Its dismissal should not be rethe dealers' apocal in the fourth
party proceedings against the
manufacturers, for there was no
hability for the dealers to pass on;
therefore on that ground the

therefore on that ground appeal had to be dismissed. Its dismissal should not be regarded as an approval by the House of the proposition that where the economic loss suffered by a distributor in the chain be-tween the manufacturer and the ultimate consumer consisted of a liability to pay damages to the ultimate consumer for physical injuries sustained by him, or consisted of a liability to indemnify a distribution for his liability to the chain of distribution for his liability to the

a particular case, as the counter-part of the observation to disclose, that any matter compulsorily dis-closed as the result of the court's process should be inadmissible in evidence. But his Lordship could not accept that a civil court had any power to decide in a manner which would bind a criminal court that evidence of any kind was admissible or inadmissible in that court. Certainly a criminal court always had a discretion to exclude evidence improperly obtained if to admit it would unfairly preju-dice a defendant dice a defendant.

But to substitute for a privilege a dependence on the court's discretion would substantially be to the defendant's detriment. That to the defendant's detriment. That the civil court had not the power to declare evidence 'inadmissible was strikingly shown by section 31 of the Theft Act, 1968. The section, by which a person was ubliged to answer questions put in proceedings for the recovery of property, expressly stated that no statement or admission so made 's shall be admissible 'in evidence against the person concerned in against the person concerned in proceedings for an offence under the Act. Infringement of copy-right was not theft, so that section could not be invoked.

Mr Nicholls's submission amounted to a request to the courts by judicial decision, to extend that statutory provision to civil proceedings generally, or at least to the present proceedings. But that the court could not do But that the courts could not do, Riddick's case was no support for the proposition that answers or documents extracted in civil pro-

made of information given, or material disclosed, under the computsory process of the court, it must not be overlooked that, quite apart from that, its provision or disclosure might set in train a process which might lead to incrimination or the discovery of real evidence of an incriminating character. In the present case, that was not only a possible but probably the intended result. The party from whom disclosure

exceptional cases, to our proce-dure, and so wide an extension of it as the submission involved ought not to be contemplated. The plaintiffs also argued that even if, in principle, the privilege against self-incrimination was cap-

Lord Roskill agreed with the speeches delivered.
Solicitors: Clifford-Turner; Cutner, Bond & Co.

Football

## Liverpool's dreams of Paris in the spring are nipped in the bud

Football Correspondent Bayern Munich 0. Liverpool's hopes that the re-kindling of their fires in last week's League Cup final would singe the reputation of Bayern Munich in the European Cup Munich in the European Cup semi-final first leg at Anfield last night were extinguished in a per-formance of much effort and little

The Germans came with clear and well-versed intentions. Their game was based on the fascina-ting, frustrating tactic of absorp-tion and counter-thrust, in which

That is not to cast a morbid look towards the return leg in Munich in a formight's time, for then Bayern will need to attack more committedly; but all the signs of last night indicated that they would succeed and end Liverpool's thoughts of Paris in May at Cup Final time.

While Liverpool were too ex-perienced European travellers to take an excessively sanguine attitude to the strengths of any oppo-nent talented enough to join them at this advanced stage of the premier club competition, they premier clib compension, mey thought they had overcome recent frustrations and were comforted in advance by a good record against German teams. The question was whether the absence of Souness, who failed a fitness test, Souness, who failed a fitness test, would allow the Bayern captain. Breimer, to win midfield and probably command overall. He gave his answer in his own time. As Bayern closed their ranks to Liverpool's customary surge of introductory attacking, Breimer's responsibilities were to organize in front of the defence. His vigorous tackling was stabilizing

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and Bayern calmly played the ball across the back in a predictable away-from-home style, leaving only Rummenigge and Hoeness permanently ahead.

The defensive policy of the Germans survived several jolts. McDermott and the goalkeeper Junghans met Neal's through pass as one, leaving McDermott with a damaged finger. Generally, it was Dalglish who caused the Bayern defence most concern was Dalglish who caused the Bayeru defence most concern without appearing to be as sharp as he had been last week.

After five minutes his partner, Rush, again deputizing for Johnson, managed to release the hall despite a painful tackle by Kraus and Dalglish picked up the move to drive a shot firmly but disappointingly across the open mouth of the goal.

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mouth of the goal.

Liverpool were obviously missing the strength of Souness and more so his long-range shooting ability—the shots that defeated CSKA. Sofia in the last round. Dalglish did well enough but without success. His best shot, pass across the busy penalty area, rebounded off Junghans, whose hand could not move quickly enough to intercept. enough to intercept. Bayern promptly showed dan-gerous, rapid counter-attacking. The quickest of their first-balf The quickest of their first-half counters was a superb reaction to the breakdown of a Liverpool attack. Rummenigge, justifying his title as European Footballer of the Year, burst into a sprint through the middle with Hansen in pursuit. Only an important and well-timed flick at the ball by Hansen took the ball from Rummenigge as Clemence came out, probably convinced he would be beaten.

Bavern, having composed them.

Bayern, having composed them-selves defensively, exploited their more positive attributes. Clemence



Clearing the German lines. The Dremmter Howitzer fires back as Dalglish charges.

had no more than a passing glimpse of Niedermeyer's 25-yard shot that cracked against the crossafter Ray Kennedy failed to make a clean clearance. obvious that such errors be firmly punished and I were fortunate that It was of would be Liverpool

Clemence was still wide awake when Rummenigge's close shot demanded a dive and crucial save on the line. Even though Weiner cleared off Boyern's line from Dalglish, Liverpool were struggling to establish a lead, let alone one of sufficient substance to take to Germany.

The loss of McDermott, who was replaced by Heighway at half-time, further depleted Liverpool's midfield. Breitner, putting teat area of the field under his influence. ence, was only briefly curtailed by an ugly tackle by Case two minutes into the second half.

Heighway's presence gave Liver-pool more variety of attacking ideas and to some extent, stretched the Bayern defenders, who came under much pressure early in the second half. Some-how they always had early in the second hair, some-how they always had someone to block the ball and increasingly Liverpool decided the only way to avoid being caught by German counter-attacks was to block them

physically.

In a curious way that was a compliment to Bayeru's ability. Guided in everything by Breitner, who soon recovered from his bruising, they encompassed the wide range of skills one would expect from potential European champions.

Liverpool's desperation grow and champions.
Liverpool's desperation grew and
their shirts darkened with the
sweat of their tireless but largely
uninspired endervour. Bayern's
satisfaction and confidence increa-

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sed apace. Augenthaler, and Weiner, big, practical defenders, ably dealt with Rush, whose incoperience was an acceptable reason

for a mixed game.

In other respects Liverpool were simply and less excusably found wanting in effective finishing and originality. In the end Dalglish was left to plead foriornly for penalties when Augenthaler whipped the ball from his feet and brought him down at the same time, and when Horsmann did much the same. Bayern knew exactly what they were doing.

Those lavish moments kept returning in the depression of the second bail. The Germans smothered and spoiled, sometimes smothered and spoiled, sometimes, with an unattractive profession-alism while their confidence grew and grew. Their sporadic raiding achieved greater support and purpose, and once Mills, under pressure from Wilhuer, almost turned a cross into his own goal.

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#### Ipswich run out of luck

German wall By Clive White Ipswich Town 1

Ipswich Town 1 FC Cologne 0
Ipswich's dreams of the treble remain intact — just. Like fine bone chima being thrown around like a rugby ball, it all seems on the verge of shattering. After the speem disappointments in the League, there was another, possibly wretrievable, slip in the first leg of their UEFA Cup semi-final round game last night when disciplined West German defence restricted the Ipswich advantage to a solitary goal at Portman Road. Portman Road.

and into

But those looking eagerly for fractures after 56 demanding games this season are wasting their time. Ipswich are still in one piece but last night they ran out of luck and into a solid German wall. Cologne, it should also be remembered, were without Zim-mermann and Bonhof.

mermann and Bonhof.

Any doubts about Ipswich's wellbeing were dispelled within
minutes of the start. Three defeats
in the past four matches had left
no visible scars and Ipswich stepped boldly into their old rhythm
as if there had never been a
break: Where before there had
been a brusse in Mariner's beel
there was now a spring. After
three minutes he leapt majestically almost a foot above the long
Strack, snjuring the German in
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Strack, over whom there had been a doubt because of an injured neck, limped off miserably two minutes later with an injured

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Shots by Mariner and Thijssen which struck Schumacher in goal, controlled pressure and an unusually noisy home crowd ensured that Cologne's butterfiles were kept flapping for fully 20 minutes. But, to their credit, they did not die and Woodcock's confident, eager running on his return to English soil was an example to his team mates.

The tricky Littbarski was a confusing menace for the young McCalle at left-back and was the provider of Cologne's only threatening gesture of the first half, when a fitrce shot rebounded off Butcher and darted menacingly in the air like a missile before being defused by Cooper's careful hands.

For all the German resistance, spaces did appear, where only the spirits of Zimmermann and Strack strode. Brazil found himself in one of these after half an hour and his flashed header was goalbound until Schumacher, dressed like a bumblebec, flew in from nowhere to deny him. It told you there were no cheap goals to be had by Ipswich as there were in previous rounds. But four minutes later Mills flighted in a cross and Wark, in isolation, sent a header buzzing past Schumacher. It was Mr Europe's twelfth goal in the competition and 34th overall, but he might have improved upon even this astonishing haul for a midfield player. Twice before half time he seemed to daily with the goal beckoning.

Those lavish moments kept returning in the depression of the

IPSWICH TOWN: P. Cooper: M. Mills, S. McCall (sub, K. Bealile). F. Thilsson, R. Osman, T. Butcher, J. Wark, A. Mubren, P. Mariner, A. Brazil (sub, K. O'Callaghan), E. Gates.

## Thomson's reputation will profit Middlesex

By Richard Streeton By Richard Streeton

By signing Jeff Thomson, the
Australian fast bowler, to play for
them this summer Middlesex have
greatly strengthened their prospects of retaining the county
championship and of again doing
well in the one-day competitions.
Thomson, who is 31 next August,
has not been required for Australian Test teams this winter and
was omitted from the touring party
for England.

There Is no doubt, however,

There is no doubt, however, that he remains potent in short spells and his reputation alone will secure a lot of wickets. Thomson secure a lot of wickers. Industry
is one more reason for numerous
county bassmen to sleep uneasily:
yesterday's announcement by
Middlesex came within a few days of confirmation that Holding and Roberts, the West Indian fast bowlers, would be playing in mid-week games for Lancashire and Leicestershire respectively.

All these counties are taking advantage of the regulations as they stand at present; changes almed at reducing the number of overseas players in English cricket overseas players in English cricket are being introduced after this summer. There is no question, meanwhile, that the cause of young English-born fast bowlers is hardly helped by counties signing players like Thomson. Something like half the new ball bowlers in this season's championship will be ineligible to play for Enland.

Thomson replaces Vincent van

Thomson replaces Vincent van der Bijl, the South African medlum fast bowler who was such a success last summer when Middlesex won the championship and Gillette Cup, but could spare the time to play only one English

season.
Although Thomson will lack van der Bijl's straightness and de-

pendability in length, his stieldsmen will be busier, and Brearley. Radley and Butch with Emburey in the go Brearley. Radley and Butch with Emburey in the gal Middlesey are well equipped. We everybody available, they will be a complete side of Test pitches. pers this summer, viz: Brearl Downton, Radley, Barlow, Gatt Butcher, Edmonds, Embur Selvey, Daniel and Thomson,

Having tasted the success accrued from fielding two in national fast bowlers. Middle national fast bowlers. Middle have decided to persevere we the policy. They first tried sign the Indian, Kapil Dev. a then the West Indian, Colin Co. (Simon Hughes, Middlesex's p mising English-born fast bowl is again unavailable this sumr until after the Durham Univenterm.)

term.)
The combination of Thom and Daniel will give Middleser opening attack that in terms fire power, hostility and by speed has probably never be matched in the history of championship. When Larw and Voce bowled for Nottingly shire 50 years ago, part of threat stemmed from Voce's 1 arm balls being different in 1 and slightly slower. The occasions when the two amates Ken Farnes and "Hopper" Rebowled together for Essex in thirties is perhaps the most thirties is perhaps the most comparison with Thomson

Thomson's gliding run equalizer when Maskery conver equalizer when Maskery conver-prominence when he and Li-destroyed England in the 1974 series. The skidding lift; variable bounce Thomson obtait brought him 33 wickets and has remained a magnificent si In action for Queensland and A tralia when fully fit.

### Batting at No 3 could be challenge Botham needs

Kingston, April 8

Kingston, April 8

For the last Test match against West Indics, starting here on Friday, England will be obliged to make one change from the side which drew the fourth Test in Annigua. Stevenson, who played there, is unfit.

Stevenson's place will be taken presumably, by Jackman. Which two to include out of Athey, Butcher, Gatting and Miller is more of a teaser. The chances are that Athey will stay at No 3, though that would seem to me to be asking too much of him; for all his promise he looks hardly ready for it. Against Jamaica, for what it was worth, Gatting and Butcher were both more successful than

Now that Gatting is back among the runs, after two lean months, it would be a pity not to play him—not at No 3 but lower down the order. In Antiqua, in his one insings there, Butcher looked hopelessly out of his depth, However, he may be more resilient than Athey and should be more confident now that he has made runs against Jamaica.

This still leaves the No 3 position unfilled. Although Miller has played in only one match, first-class or otherwise, since the first Test finished seven weeks ago, and despite having been laid up last weekend with flu, he is a candidate. So is Willey, whose promotion from No 7 to No 5 in the second inmings in Antiqua could be carried a stage further. However, I would take an out-Now that Gatting is back among

than the rosy dawn of his own.

bourne and Bombay last y would question that he has courage and ability to do Here in West Indies he has aggregate of 168 and an aver-of 14 from his 12 first-ci

of 14 from his 12 first-clinnings.

If Boycort and Gooch give two such starts as they did Antigua, I would dearly like see Botham coming in next was blend of sensible aggression a watchful defence. It could be justed the challenge he needs.

The team are being allowed to set they please today. So do as they please today. So have gone up into the hills, search of a more temper climate, some have played so some went racing, some swa
Each party, wherever it we
had the police in attendance,
the Test match approaches,
Jamaican Government is taking chances with anyone seeking to ploit Jackman's presence in England side. Jackman himself under close surveillance, thou under close surveinance, that curiosity, not animosity, greeted him so far.

Newsmen from England, "he for the builets", must be sprised to find that the a provocative material in the left from Birmingham and London.

There were the form of lett. from Birmingham and London Three weeks on Saturday Yo shire play Oxford University the Parks. What a contrast! Sabina Park on Friday the shwill be clinging to the play backs: at Oxford on May 2 th sweaters may not be enough. I recognized, Athey will walk ak St Giles on the Saturday morn to play on a green pitch before handful of spectators against, I chances are, a nice, friemattock—no helmets needed.

#### CERTIFIED PPA DIVIDENDS All dividends are subject to rescrutiny. FOR MATCHES PLAYED APRIL 4th ZETTERS POOLS LONDON ECTAL

Hockey

Today's fixtures

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Final: Watford v Barnet.

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W-mbiev v Heriford
ATHENIAN LEAGUE. Basildon v
Woodford, Windsor and Eton v Banstead Alhotic.

POGLITATION

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Huyton V Blackpool Borough (6.13)

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#### NORTHERN PREMIER LEAGUE: South LiverOSWINSTRY 1. MAUGOR 2: South Liverpool 0. Mossley 1: Southport 1. Runcorn 3. Mossley 1: Southport 1. Real stake their claim to place in final place in final Rugby Union CLUB MATCHES: Ebbw Velo 13. Aboravon 28: Nacotos 13. Liancili 22: Ponippridd 40. Pemarth 6: Wasps 26. London Welsh 3.

Real Madrid defeated Internazionale, of Milan, 2-0 in Spain last night and must be strongly funcied to reach the European Cupfinal on May 27. Real, who have won the competition six times, pierced their opponents' redoubtable defeace once in each half of the first leg march, Santillana scoring in the twenty-eighth minute and his international team colleague, Juanito, adding the second in the forty-seventh minute. Rugby League
FIRST DIVISION: Barrow 26.
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Warrington Division: York 30
Hudd-rafield 13.

minute.

The Cup Winners Cup final in Düsseldorf on May 13 appears to be a foregone conclusion involving Dinamo Tbilisi, of the Soviet Union, and Carl Zelss Jena, of East Germany. Dinamo outclassed Feyenoord, of the Netherlands, 3-0 in Georgia and Carl Zelss sent Benfica, also noted European competitors, back to Portugal on the receiving end of a 2-0 defeat.

Dinamo took the lead in the Dinamo too k the lead in the twenty-third minute when Sulak-velidze dived to head wide of Hiele from five yards. Seven minutes later Gutsayev sidefooted the ball into an empty net after Hiele stumbled.

Sulakvelidze assured Dinamo of a comfortable lead for the return leg when he scored the third in the fifty-second minute with the defence vainly appealing for off-Alkmaar, the Durch League leaders, drew 1—1 in the Uefa Cup. Both goals were scored in the first half, Armiz purting Alkmaar ahead after 14 midutes from a pass by Peters and Genghini scoring the equalizer with a diving header eight minutes later.

Rugby Union

By Gordon Allan

Wasps 28 London Weish 4
Wasps beat London Weish by a
goal, three penaity goals, a dropped goal, and two tries to a try
at Sudbury last evening. Hughes,
Wasp's stand-off half and leading
scorer this season, scored 13
points. It was a London merit

points. It was a London merit table match, but of no importance as far as that was concerned because both teams have alredy quified for next season's John Player Cup. Last season, Wasps kept Welsh out of the Cup by beating them 21—9.

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Under Taylor, the All Blacks centre, this has been Wasps hest was on for 20 years, and it showed in this match in the extent of their confidence and teamwork after an uneasy start. The Welsh, by contidast, functioned only fitfully, with Georgo doing as much as anyone to try to keen them together, and they flagged towards the end.

The first quarter was like a scrambled jugaw—all hits and pieces and no pattern. Only two interesting things happened. Hughes kicked a penalty for Wasps, and Peliow, on the Wasps right with, had his shirt ripped off completely in the rough and

right whee, had his shirt ripped off completely in the rough and tumble. A few more shirt incidents would have been welcome. By half-time, however, the Welsh were ahead, somewhat against the run of play. Hurley scored a try in the corner after the Welsh had won a ruck on the

Bedford, showing more liteliness in the forwards, completed their first double over their great vivals

Northampton for six years under the Goldington Road floodlights

last night.
They wen as untidy match by

two penalty goals to one. There was scarcely a hunt of a try and

overell it was a game when wet conditions and end-of-season wearings could not be overcome. Bedford, playing up the slope, showed sufficient hustle and bustle in the first half to keep

the same mostly in the Northamp-ton half. Their forwards, led from the from by Phillips, and Wilkin-

the from by Phillips, and Wilkinson playing in his preferred No. 8 position, looked faster and usually won the rucks but had problems in the tight after Thomson went off with a shoulder injury in the fourth minute. Eales, a No. 8, came into the second row with Akhurst moving to prop and Pascall having a busy time as he switched from tight head to loose head depending on the put-in.

Bedford moved the ball rapidly at times but too often their sentres turned hack into trouble, Northampton sometimes attacked after Jensen palmed the ball back

after Jensen palmed the ball back from the many short lineouts they

By Richard Streeton

First double for Bedford

## Villa surge ahead after mistake breaks deadlock son slipped, but Geddis flashed his shot hurriedly across the face of the goal. Alblon were beginning to play the more controlled football, although an electrifying run by Morley brought a centre which McNaught, who had also made ground rapidly, headed behind. Robson, increasingly authoritative, lobbed Owen's perfect return pass over the bar as Rimmer hurtled out, but the pace of the game meant that both sides had the least possible time for creation. Geddis, playing because Shaw was rested, struggled to find a way into the game despite Withe's ability to receive and hold the ball, even with defenders snappling at his heels. When Withe chested down a centre from Morley and Godden pulled off a brilliant saye from Morrimer's low shot, the outcome seemed inevitable. Then Withe, so influential when Nottingham Forest won the champlonship four years ago, grasped the one gift By Gerald Richmond Aston Villa 1 West Bromwich Albion 0 Resent

West Bromwich Albion 0
A dreadful mistake by Batson brought the league championship trophy appreciably nearer to Villa Park after a titanic struggle there last night. There were barely two minutes left when the West Bromwich Albion full back elected to pass back to Godden. Withe, always alert for such a gift, nipped in, snapped it up and guided in his shor.

Poor Batson, and poor Albion, themselves in third position, and eyeing a place in European competition next season. They had fought and defended so stoutly that everything pointed to a draw. Villa, though, are now three points ahead of Ipswich Town and their destiny is firmly in their

points ahead of Ipswich Town and their destiny is firmly in their own hands. At the end, Villa were almost visibly lifted by a capacity crowd, few, if any, of whom will be able to recall their last title in 1910.

Even without the present situation, matches between these two clubs have been keen since the dawn of the Football League, and fouls were soon littering the ground. Players approached the match in such a way that, whatever else happened, nobody could be accused of lack of effort and tension was the overriding enotion. Cowans presented Albion with an early chance when he laid with an early chance when he laid

Wasps overcome an uneasy

start against Welsh

Forest won the champlonship four years ago, grasped the one gift on offer. Villa have five games left and the one against Ipswich, scheduled for next Wednesday if the East Anglian's FA Cup semi-final reaches a definite outcome, could well settle this year's champlonship. If this match is played, Villa will be without Evans, suspended for two matches after being booked for the fifth time this season in the recent game with an early chance when he laid a back pass into the path of Regis. Rimmer saved with his feet, allow-ing Cowans to escape the fate of Batson before delivering himself of a few thoughts. Similarly, the best chance of the first half at the other end came from an error when Robert-

Hughes converied,
With 20 minutes to go, Hughes kicked another penalty from close range, and Leggett scored a try from the back of a lineout, to leave Wasps with no problems for the rest of the game. Finally, Keith Bonner presented the ball to Hughes to drup a goal from 35 metres, and, in injury time, Gallagher scored another try, with the help of Isichie, at a tapped penalty.

WASPS: N. Stringer: R. Pellow, 1.

penalty.

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penalty kicks and both he and Fletcher, for Budford, attempted optimistic dropped goals. A heavy rainstorm as half-time

a nearly ramsorm as han-time approached, increased the mis-takes. The scoring deadlock was broken five minutes after the interval when Northampton were penalised for "climbing" in the

penalised for "climbing" in the lineout and Chesworth kicked a goal from 30 metres on the right. When Barrow knocked-on Bedford lept play near the Northampton line with a series of scrummages. Ten minutes from the end Chesworth kicked another penalty awarded for scrum collapsine. Enworth landed one at the other end for a ruck offence and failed with a brave 50-metre attempt just before no side. Phillips, whose wrist was badly brulsed at Cardiff

wrist was badly bruised at Cardiff on Saturday, and not broken as first feared, was always in the thick of things in the Bedford pack: Folwell and Pearce fought manfully in the manb and rucks for Northampton.

season in the recent game

Squash rackets

## 'Conqueror of world' must still defeat Hunt's ambition

By Rex Bellamy Squash Rackets Correspondent not improve.

Geoff Hunt (Melbourne) and Jahangir S name means "conqueror of the world". His game was groomed by his fatter, closely matched that there can be no confident forecast about the Squash Rackets Correspondent Allan

London Welsh 4

London Welsh by a coff. had missed out Walbyoff with a floated pass. A moment before the interval, Howard was varied by the referee, Roger of half and leading season, scored 15 as a London merit but of no importance but was concerned teams have alredy next season's John Last season's John Last

perience and motivation. He has competed with the best players in the world for 18 years, has won seven of his nine finals in this event and has never buen a better or wiser player. His motivation is that a global title product the sevent and has never buen a better or wiser player. His motivation is that an eighth title would be an outright record, and that at the age of 34 his chances of conceding

almost 17 years to Jahangir will unofficial world championships at both versions of squash. Jahangar has played so much squash. Training and practising with a diligence that even impressed Jonah Barrington, that his experience belies the modest tally of 17 birthdays. Inevitably, though, his first class competition has been restricted. In two years, he has played only eight matches in the Open championship, winning seven in straight sets and losing the other to Barrington last season. straight sets and losing the other to Barrington last season.

This evening's match will be the most severe test of emotional maturity this quiet and composed lad has faced. He is the youngest player to rise so high, and is vulnerably aware that time is on his side—that although this final may precede the twillight of Hum's career on the peaks, it is no more

than the rosy dawn of his own. Consequently, both experience and motivation point to Hunt rather than Jahangir.

Jahangir played Hunt three times in March and beat him twice. For different reasons every match was a little misleading. Speculation about a 3—1 margin to Hunt is based on the shaky reasoning that he has only twice won three consecutive games in the final of this championship; that he needs to pace himself; that he needs to pace himself; that Jahangir is too good to be beaten in straight games, anyway, but that Hunt will be wary of the physical hazards of a fifth game, With the help of two congeni-With the help of two congeni-ally successful new locations and a cosmopolitum assertment of older players competing in the over-45 and over-55 champion-ships, the event has had clear echoes of Wimbledon—as a peer-last formal for a normal restated.

Club to the more formal comfor

Theatres are not custom-but for squash and a proscenium po distance between the public at an essentially intimate game. B in must be doubted wheth squash, as a stage productio could be presented any better—in a more suitable environment than it has been these past fe days. It must be equally dout ful whether the television cove age, filmed for the sponsors by private company, has ever becexcelled anywhere. The BE more in for this evening's fine which will also be shown in Ge many tomorrow.

in so many ways this is an er clining transitional era. The gre-players of the past 15 years have been Barrington and Hunt. The former heat Jahangir last year and the latter may beet him the evening. But a new chapter by been begun.

Snooker

#### Davis breaks his second 100

preserving his two frames advantage.

Kirk Stevens, the young Canadian, who reached last year's semi-final, held only a one frame advantage over John Dunning at the halfway stage of their match.

After dropping two of the first three frames, Stevens went on to lead 4—2 before being caught at 4—4. The Canadian took the last frame of the first period to obframe of the first period to ob-tain a 5—4 lead.

Table 5 The life period to 6btable 5 — lead.

FIRST ROUND: D. Mounthy (Libbe Vale) leads W. Thorne (Lefterster)

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K Stevens (Clauda) leads J. Dunning (Clauda) leads J. William (Toothin) R.—1.

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#### Hockey

## English click at set pieces

Steve Davis, the United Kingdom champion, made a break of 195, his second cemury of the match, against Jimmy White in their first round match at the Embassy world professional snooker championship, at Sheffield yesterday. This helped Davis to extend to 8—4 by the end of the second period in this 19 frames match. So Davis needs only to win two of today's scheduled seven frames to advance to the last 16.

Tony Meo progressed to a 7—5 lead over John Virgo, thus preserving his two frames advantage.

Kirk Stevens, the young Canadian, who reached last year's converting a short converting a short service of the natical and the converting a short service of the natical and the converting a short service of the natical and the converting a short service of the natical and the converting a short service of the natical and the converting a short service of the natical and the converting a short service of the natical and the converting a short service of the natical and the converting a short service of the natical and the converting a short service of the natical and the converting a short service of the natical and the converting a short service of the supplies of the service of the service of the service of the supplies of the service of the supplies of the service of the supplies of the supplies of the under-19 home supplies o Lockhart converting a short corner. England then attacked with much vigour but were kept walting for 22 minutes for the equaliser when Maskery converted a short corner. From an earlier one awarded to England, a stick

save on the line by Long averted a certain goal. After failing to convert several short corners, the Irish goalkeeper having saved most of the shots, Tennis

HUBBS

HOUSTOM: G. Vilan (Argentina)

heat R. Salockton (US), 6—4, 6—1;

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(US) beat J. Kriek (US);

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(Spain, 1—6—6—16]; ROME: J Mclinne (1/S) best 1. Lendl (Czechoslovakia), 7—5, 7—6, 6—1, G Mayer (1/S) best A. Panatis (Italy), 6—2, 6—4.

England gained the lead almost on half-time with Clift converting a penalty stroke. Robinson having been penalized for lying on the ball. bail.

A well taken coal in the eleventh minute of the second half by Thompson, who piched up Murray's pass from the left, put Ireland on equal terms. A stirring battle for supremary followed before Maskery converted a short corner for England in the 29th minute.

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Rackets

#### Prenn ferocious in defence of open title

By Roy McKelvie

John Prenn, the holder, and a point Prenn, the holder, and a point Prenn, the holder, and a point Prenn on semi-linal round match in the British Open rackets champion ship, sponsored by Celestion, a Queen's Club tomorrow. In two contrasting matches Prenn beat Man Lovell by 16—13, 15—6.

15—3 and Crawley defeated Charles Hue Williams by 18—14.

10—15. 15—12, 15—4.

Prenn's match with Lovell provided the more exhilarating rackets, at times Prenn's play was for the lirst game, leading 12—and later. 15—12, but was the overpowered by pace. Prenn did not give Lovell much time to think, let alone decide what to think, let alone decide what to think, let alone decide what to the part of the part of the part was the prenn did show the part of the part of the part was the part of dr. But the first game did short in that Lovell, with more play at this level, could be a very good player indeed. Player indeed. Crawley's win over Huc Wilidams, a cut and thrust encounter, was relatively leisurely. There werned too many gaps between points which broke up any chance of the game acquiring rhythm or flow. There were few rallies of any length

Early on, Hue Williams and that experience still counts. He used a variety of services, prevented Crawley finding a service longth, and killed anything loose, life unity surrondered the first ile unly surrendered the ill-game when Crawley at 13-14, produced four service winners. The contest virtually ended when crawley made the only significant service run, from the faird game.

SECOND ROUND: J Perm to IL. Crayley best if the winners. 18-14.

Crayley best if the williams. 18-14.

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## Tolmi withdraws from | Humble pie Nell Gwyn Stakes

Ey Michael Seely

By Michael Seely

Tolmi has pulled a muscle and will miss next week's Nell Gwyn Sukes at Newmarket. Bruce Hobbs said yesterday: "The injury is not too serious and I am hopeful that she will be all right in time for the 1,000 Guineas. Of course I would rather it had not happened. But Tolmi is a lightly made filly and does not take a deal of geting ready." Tolmi Is the lifth produce of that remarkable mare, Stilvi.

All the leading bookmakers have removed Tolmi from their betting on the 1,000 Guineas. As a result Fairy Footsteps is an even firmer favourite and it is hard to get better odds than 3-1 on Henry Cecil's filly. The other betting news yesterday concerns the William Hill Scottish Grand National and the Playboy Bookmakers Spring Cup. The punters are convinced that Fighting Fit is going to repeat his 1979 triumph in Scotland's richest steeplechase. The sponsors report having laid fighting Fit at all prices from 10-1 down to 7-1. Ladbrokes have had good support for Herous Hollow for the Spring Cup at Newbury the same afternoon. Guy Harfor the Spring Cup at Newbury the same afternoon. Guy Har-wood's Lincoln runner-up is now favourite at 9-2.

favourite at 9-2.

Further Newbury news concerns Bel Bolide who is an unlikely starter for the Cicrical Medical Greenham Stakes, Jeremy Tree said yesterday that Bel Bolide is almost certain to go for the Free Handicap at Newmarket next week. Only if the field for the Greenham appears likely to cut up would he consider changing his mind.

Concern has been mounting among trainers about the recent positive results of prohibited substances found among horses office stances found among horses ofter routine tests. At present there are three trainers vairing for their cases to be heard, Peter Easterby Vialter Wharton and Bill Watts. Michael Pope, the chairman of the Trainers Federation, has been approached by several of his members but it has been decided to leave the matter until the present cases have been decided.

It is believed that the horses It is believed that the horses

involved bad all been fed with progus nurs. manufactured by Ranks Hovis and McDougall. Wharton bad a fresh consignment

of nuts tested and they also proved to be containingsted. The prohibited substance is theobromine which contains caffeine. This substance is found in cocoa busks which are used in the manufacture of cattle.

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By John Karter

A spokesman for Ranks has said: It is almost impossible to avoid this situation. Theobromine can be picked up in places like the holds of ships, containers and even forries. The trouble is that modern analysis techniques are so refined that even the smallest traces can be detected.

even the smallest traces can be detected."

Peter Twite, the head of administration to the Jockey Club, made the authority's position clear at Ripon yesterday: "One simply cannot have permitted levels of a prohibited substance. Apart from anything else the legal complications in any court of law would be immense as there are so many other factors involved. And do not forget that rule 53 has the following proviso. 'The Stewards of the Jockey Club may waive the fine if the trainer satisfies them that the substance was not administered by him or by any other person intentionally and that he has taken all reasonable precautions to avoid a breach of this rule. 'This rule means however that a

This rule means however that a Into rule means nowever that a trainer has to satisfy the authorities that his horses have been fed from a consignment of contaminated nuts. This is not as easy as nated nuts. This is not as easy as it sounds as the results of the tests can take from two to fire weeks to come through and by that time the empty bags have naturally been thrown away. However, the Jockey Club are well aware of this problem and have their security staff trying to trace deliveries of nuts back to their

source. There is little doubt that the Jockey Club are right to take a firm stand and that the onus is on the manufacturers to set their houses in order. Spillers, for example, have a separate plant which is only used for the making of horse nurs.

of horse nurs.

However, it is still a worrying matter for the trainers involved as although everyone is now aware that this is a technical affair the word "doping", which is still used in these cases, has an ugly connotation

## day for

Substitute cider for champagne, Substitute cider for champague, black pudding for strawberries and flat caps for toppers, and you lave the distinctive flavour of Ascot yesterday. All men are equal on the turf and under it, they say. And never was that better illustrated than yesterday when the "bread and butter" boys from the West Country and the North came to our most important racecourse and cocked a snook (well, four snooks, to be exact) at racing's hierarchy.

racing's hierarchy.

Oliver Carter, who trains at the Devon village of Ottery St Mary was the first snook-cocker when his former Whitbread Gold Cup winner, Otter Way, won the Merlin Hunters Steeplechase, Benefiting from the fall of the hot favourite, Persian Scimitar, and as always the outstanding riding of Jim Wilson, Otter Way shrugged off his 13 years and in so doing added a new chapter to a bizarre story. Story.

Last summer, the pilot of a Viscount aircraft returning from Spain misread his fuel gauge and decided to make an emergency landing in a field, He executed the move with such precision that there was no loss of life or serious injury. However, the field he chose to come down in happened to be one of Carter's. His horses were thrown into a terrible panic, not just by the great silver bird plummeting from the sky, but from the ensuing cacophony from fire engines, and police cars. Many of them ran amok, plunging through barbed wire fences and two had to be put down. Most of them, including Orter

Most of them, including Otter Way, apparently took months to recover from this traumatic intrusion into their lives. Some are still affected by the memory. Only last week at Devon, Carter was called before the stewards regarding the running of one of his borses. Carter offered the aeroplane story as his explanation. It was accepted, but even he must have seriously wondered whether such a tale would be shot down in flames.



Shell Burst, with Hywell Davies in the saddle, takes the final flight well clear

If you were standing within a at Liverpool last week when he If you were standing within a mile or so of Les Kennard you could not fall to know about the other West Country triumph. Kennard nearly blew the roof off the stand as he bellowed encouragement for his 20 to one winner, Shell Burst, in the Expo-O-Tel Supersport Long Distance Hurdle.

However, the frenzied hugs between Kennard and Sheikh Ali between Kennard and Sheikh Ali Abu Khamsin, the owner, afterwards, would almost certainly nut have enlivened the afternoon had Derring Rose, the favourite, stayed on his feet. This celebrated equine prima donna, who at one point yesterday refused even to take the stage, looked sure to dance away with the race before he crashed to the ground three hurdles from the finish.

The North's principal coup came

The North's principal coup came Rose and Midnight Court (a sixth in the Peregrine Handicap Steeple-chase, won by the favourite Fairy King, who is trained by Jimmy Hurdle on Winter's News King Fitzgerald at Malton. Fairy King, who had looked sure to win a race Hurdle on Bea Sting.

at Liverpoof last week when he fell, must have known he was in everybody's black books yesterday, because he sprinted away from Shady Deal, the runner-up, as if his life depended on it.

Spring Chancellor was no equally emphatic winner for the North when Peter Scudamure North when Peter Scudamore booted him home well clear of his field in the Golden Eagle Nortces Sreeplechase. Trained by Arthur Stephenson, at Bishop Auckjand, Spring Chancellor was quite unfancied by his connexions, which was not surprising in view of his previous efforts.

of his previous efforts.

North and West apart, the afternoon was must notable for the way in which John Francome. the leading jockey, rode the helter skelter of fortune. He fell on the two Fred Winter stars, Derring Rose and Midnight Court (a sixth fence casualty in Fairy King's

Richard Rowe, who rode Glamour Show, the runner up to Bee Sting, was suspended for four days for careless riding, Glamour Show was placed last, which, considering he appeared to be second best on ment, seemed inordinately harsb.

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inordinately harsh.

Ruscelli to make amends: My preference is for Ruscelli in tomorrow's one mile Prix de Ris-Orangis at Evry but it is possible that Hilal, Wild Idea and Gosport will also be lavulved to the fioish. Desmond Stoneham, our French Racing Correspondent writes. In the group III Prix Exbury at Saint-Cloud Jast month, Ruscelli was a disappointing eighth to Armisnee Day but the colt does not act ou the course and the 10 furlong distance was also a little too long. distance was also a little too long.

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## Weeding out winners in an open Masters

From John Hennessy Golf Correspondent

Augusta, April 8
Looking for the winner of the
Masters, which starts here tomorrow, is as unrewarding as trying
to find a weed on any of the
Augusta National Golf Club's 18
EXPENS. It has been possible in the past 20 years or more to narrow the field to Palmer and Nicklaus, together with two or three others who claimed almost equal distinctions. garner with two or three others who claimed almost equal distinction at any one particular time. That is not to say that the predictions were reliable.

Who would have dared to suggest in 1966, on the occasion of Ricklaus's third Masters in four years and his unique second successive victory, that he would win only once more in the 14 following years? Or that a man with the unimposing record and the unlikely name of Fuzry Zoeller would win two years ago? Who, too, other than those crary Europeans, could have foreseen Ballesteros's triumph last year. The unusually open competition springs from the uncertain form of the three leading characters of the day, over here at least—Nicklaus, Watson and Trevino, None has won a tournament this year and Nicklaus and Watson, who each reached second place on one occasion failed to make the 25.

and Micklaus and Walson, who each reached second place on one occasion, failed to make the 36-hole cut the following week. The same two players, on form, have the game, of course, to pull it off again, but Trevico, for all his renown for playing every kind of shot, some of his own creation, is inhibited on at least thought.

shot, some of his own creation, is inhibited, or at least thought to be inhibited, by his natural fade on a course that strongly favours the draw, Baliesterns has also fuded a little since last year, and on the evidence both of his record and of white we saw at Greensboro last week, he is not the man we remember from last April. Aleanwhite, others toyo regained lost which is noted to be a some proper lost white. white, others have regained lost eminence. Miller has won two tournaments this year and may be able at last to win his first Masters able at last to win his first Masters after being runner-up twice. Floyd, winner in 1976, is in prime form again and probably favourite.

Aolil, a determined opponent for Na klaus in last year's United States Open, and Norman, under his Australian blond thatch, must come into calculations, for all their humble, achievements in the wake humbic achievements in the wake

of Faldo and one or two others at Greensboro. Norman won his player's card here in only two tournaments, finishing 15th and

7th successively, an achievement

seread over five tournaments for Foldo. Lietzke, like Miller, has you twice this year, otherwise he might, with his name, tall into the Zoeller category as the man least likely to.

Can we safely disregard Player?

He has done nothing to encourage a belief in his capacity to win his fourth Masters' green jacket, but 10 minutes spent under Trevinor's tuicon may suggest that the old thirst for vectory is unquenched in his forty-sixth year. There are two entries from Britain, Lyle and Evan, the amateur champion, he is sad to think that Faldn, in his present dazzling form, was unable to claim the professional place. That went to Lyle on the strength of his first place in the 1930 European money list, in front of Norman, Ballesteros and Faldo, Lyle, however, seemed altogether more relaxed than on his unauccessful maiden voyage last year. He played nine holes with Treemo this morning.

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Evans, who had had Georgial on his mind since winning the anateur last year, has been paired with Floyd, for the first two days, which adds point to his remark yesterday that he would probably need a Valium sandwich before teeine-oif. "I'll get nervous on the first tee with all those people around "he said. This morning going out with three of the other imateurs in the field, he "took a pill and did not feel a thing." The ball did, as he cracked it is long way down the fairway and followed it with a wedge dead on the flag.

followed it with a wedge bead on the flag.

He had avoided the new pitfall, created by lengthening the hole by 12 yards. That is a fleable, of course, but it brings a fairway bunker more critically into playHe was, however, trapped by fig. 20 yards added to the eighth, with the same factical motive.

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Ballesteros Hope: Severlana Ballesteros will play in the Boh Hope British Classic at Moor Park from September 24 to 27, the Press Association report.

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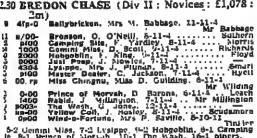
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2.30 EREDON CHASE (Div II : Novices : £1,078 :



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Octop Dane Night (8). J. Crisdic, 5-10-0 ... Hydr 11-4 Royan e. T. Brodic's, -1 Royan Hill, 11-2 is Delight, 8-1 Rosey Covert, 10-1 Tip Tool, 16-1 others. 10 MALVERN HURDLE (Handicap: £1,837:



48 G231 Broughty Pier, E. Birchall, 5-10-0 ... Morris J" Copp Salvisti (B), I Dalign, 13-10-0 ... R. Daties 51 D000 Gleaning, P. Felgole, p-10-0 ... Tuck 7-2 to all and Sec. 4-1 Royal Wren, 5-1 Grand Ross, 6-1 Prominente, 8-1 Popel's Mandale, 12-1 Something's Missing, 14-1 Donnison, 16-1 Kaltiza, Gin n' Lime, 20-1 others. 4.0 CLENT HURDLE (Div II: 4-y-o novices:

M. McCaurt, 11-0 M Wilman, 11-0 J. Edwards, 11-0 B. Licwellyn, 11-0 John W Turner, 11-0 W. Charles, 11-0 N. Henderson, 11-0 Smith N. Henderson, 11-0 Smith

4.30 MADRESFIELD CHASE (Hendicao : £1,755 :

Cedor's Daughtor (D). Miss S. Griffiths. Vir Oliver China Cottage (D, S). P. Balloy. 8-10-13 China Cottage (D, S). P. Balloy. 8-10-11. Platfold Winterbourne Las (8), J. Bosies, 8-10-3 McCourt Flying Camble, 1, Wardle, 8-10-2 A Brown Manquille (9), G. Kindersley, 8-10-0 G. Brown Retenue Boy, P. Sevan, 8-10-0 ... Well Flying Gumble, 1, Wardle, 8-10-2 A. Brow Manquille (D), G. Kindersley, 8-10-0 C. Brow Retenur Bey, P. Bevan, 8-10-0 C. W. Gien Berg (CD), F. Walwan, 6-10-0 Build Cartrain, J. Old, 8-10-0 Cartrain, J. Old, 8-10-0 Carte Deimes, W. Sheedy. 10-10-0 . Mrs Sheedy Deer Meuni (6), Mrs M. Babbage Mr Babbage Mr Babbage Students (6), Mrs M. Babbage Mr Babbage Students (6), Mrs M. Babbage Students (6), Mrs Mrs Mrs Mrs Babbage Mrs Babbage Students (6), Mrs Mrs Babbage Mrs Babbage Students (6), Mrs Mrs Babbage Mrs Babbag

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40 fulf Never Brask (CD) J. Webber, 12-16-0 Mooney
42 Oods Researchite Choice, Earl Jones, 8-10-0 Brennan
42 Oods Yesma Hawk, P. Cleveley, 8-10-0 Mr Cirveley
3-1 Go Winney, 9-2 Monly Prihon, 5-1 Firing Gamble,
6-1 China Cottane, 17-2 Cartral, 10-1 Aboury Lad, 12-1
Mr Orya, 16-1 others. 5.0 BREDON CHASE (Div III : Novices : £1,078 :

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11 Opt Megulagrde, M. Reid, S.11-6
12 Ond Master Sects, O. D'reil, 7-12-4
13 Ond Master Sects, O. D'reil, 7-12-4
14 Oct Reiner Bill, B. Cembidge, S-11-4
15 Oof Reiner Bin, C. Jackson, 7-12-4
16 Opt Sabol Rapide, D. Barons, B-11-4
17 Ood Tarner, R. Marche, 16-11-4
17 Ood Tarner, R. Marche, 16-11-4
18 Ood Valentin, R. C. Ward, 7-13-4
19 Ood Valentin, R. C. Ward, 7-13-4
11-1 Choral Prince, 4-1 King's Champion, 5-1
16-1 Others

5.30 GRUNWICK NH FLAT RACE (£578: 2m)

Caprain Denny, J. Fitzgerald, S-11-12 Brennan Caprain Devancy, D. McCain, 6-11-12 Brennan Caprain Devancy, D. McCain, 6-11-12 Brennan Caprain Devancy, D. McCain, 6-11-12 Brandwood Caprain, C. Caprai

Lolingopmas R. Champion (11-1) 3
TOTE: Win. £5.79; places, 73p.
20p. 19p. Dual F. £15.46. CSF:
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Taunton NH programme 2.15 PITMINSTER HURDLE (Div I: 4-y-o



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3.15 WADHAM STRINGER CHASE (Hunters: £1,118 : 3m 1f)
12-22 Otlary News, O. Carter, 8-12-7
1-010 Claddagh Gold, A. Wholtam, 7-13-2 4 0301 OHar Way (B), O. Carier, 13-127.0
5 3-023 San Lien (b), N. Benderson, 11-12-10.
6 1237 Captain, Clover, (CD), G. Harm, 11-11-11 of the control of the

58 . 6/17 National Clover. D. Liewellin. 6-11

40 0400- News Sells, Miss J. Petre, 11:11-7 Proces 7
41 23-ff Not Lightly (D), N. Sishop, 10-11-7 Mr Rishop 7
9-4 Cromwell Road, 9-2 Ottory News, 5-1 Sun Lian, 7-1
Alpebalock, 5-1 Cantain Clover, 10-1 Otter Way, 14-1
Limar, 15-1 Clanville Prince, 20-1 others. 3.45 THURLOXTON HURDLE (Handicap: 51,251; 2m 3f)
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4.45 PITMUNSTER HURDLE (Div II: 4y-o movices: £414: 2m)
017 Helemoor Star (D), Miss S. Morris, Turner 7 Taunton selections By Our Racing Staff 2.15 Princeton, 2.45 Mount Parmassus, 2.15 Cromwell Road, 3.45 Swallow Hill, 4.15 Money Talks, 4.45 4.30 (4.33) STOURPORT STEEPLE-CHASE (Handles: \$1.566: 2'm)

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3.30 (3.31) DIGLIS HURDLE (Handle and (3.51) DIGLIS MURDLE (Handices (1.94); 2m)
FRA MAU, b m. by Wolver Hollow
—Perroduc, 5-10-6
Mitchelstown ... R. Hyett (14-1) 2
Elsoit ... A. O'Haçan (11-1) 3
TOTE: Win, 5 lb; blaces, 19p, 95p,
34p, Dual F. 25.76. CSF: 25.48,
Miss S. Griffins, A. Presteigne, 21,
19p, Gold Justice (100-50 fav). Fail
con's Revenge (8-1) 4th, 15 ran. NR:
Capulsta, Sodvoni, Firchourg,
4,0 (41) READY MIXED CONCRETE
HUNTER CHASE (15.528; 3m)
PETITA MANDY, b m, by Mandamus—Calatien, 9-11-2
Bearstord Mr. N. Diver (5-1) 7
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Bearstord Mr. N. Diver (5-1) 2 0 (3.1) NEWLAND STEEPLECHASE (Handleap: C1.080: 2m) Bparkford Mr J. Bryan (8-1) 7 Wallands Copes Mr J. Bryan (8-1) 7 Wallands Will. Williamon (80-1) 2 TOTE: Will. 50: places, 150, 270, 60n. Dual 1: 21.59. CSF: £2.79. W. Price, at Hereford, 41, 31, Sparkel (6-4 [av. Albo Le 150-1, 4th, 20 ran.

(Apprentices: 1802: 6f:
SKIN DEEP, b m by Prevailing—
Vanity Case. 10, Zawawsi: 8-8-7
C. Holgate: 5-1: 1
Tha Old Feiler P. Howard: 114-11: 2
Padacab M. Beccroft: 110-1: 1
SSP. Dual F. 57-74, CSF 17-53, W.
Musson at Newmarke: 11, 1-1, Covergiri Choice 100-30 (av 48th: 12 ran,

A. Smith at Beverley, 71, 'A. Letting was awarded the race and She's My (16-11 ath, 18 ran, NR: Exessalt, Girl was placed second, Hursute. 4.43 |4.47| CREWELTHORPE STAKES TOTE: Win, 72p; places, 17g, 14p, 19p, Datal F: 27.85, CSF 57.59, M. H. Easterby at Malton, 9h hd, 7l, Hefto Coddles (5-4 fgv), Aquarlan Sizr (20-1) 4th, 9 ran.

SACKVILLE, b. g., by Weish Seini—
Blarney, 9-10-3 G. Davies (7-1)
Royal Bramble . P. Carvill (6-1)
Lobster Claw Mr C. Crozler (53-1) TOTE: Win, 450; places, 18p, 18n, 51p, Dual F £1,45 CSF, £2,51 lan, Bradley, 1 favored W 2-1, bit. Flash 4th, 13 ran, NR; Cooch Beher, High Grange. 8.0 (5.5) HIMBLETON HURDLE (DIV 11 Novices: £690; 25m) II Novices: £690: \$2 cm)

SUPER SYMPHONY, b g, by Dike
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July The Fourth Mr J. Mackle (3-11 2

Caucasia: 50 McCourt (33-12 2)

TOTE: Win, 2:10 blaces, 18p, 18p, 18p, 18, 15, 5, busl F; 28p, CS; 40p, 6

Baiding, at Weyhill, Head, 121, Sobie
Picce :50-11 4th, 22 ran, NR: Bay
stone, Porcupine Basin, Metela.

0.15 (5.18) SPA WATER STAKES
(51.75.3: Im II;
SAY PRIMULA. Ch c by Hotfool—
Ronolr Picture (Kaell), 5-8-5
(Golden Reof E. Hide (15-8 12) 1
(Golden Reof E. Hide (15-1) 2
(Go Lightly ... O. Gray (20-1) 3
(TOTE: Win. 2 Apr. places, 15p. 15-6
(3.5p. Dual F: 48p. CSF: 61.5p. 1
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(3.5p. Market 1) 4th. 11 ran. NR: 1 Pepper White.

PLACEPOT: C440.35 for 500 state.

Pool of £314.55 carried forward to
Worcester today.

#### The major buckles on his armour again for Harrow suaded Major David Blair to

By Peter Ryde
Concurrently with that other great festival of golf, the US Masters, the Halford Hewitt tournament starts today over the courses of Royal Cinque Ports and Royal St. George's, both looking wonderfully verdant and cared for. Forecasts of victory in both tournaments entirely lack conviction, especially here where there are now more teams who could win than there are individuals who could win at Augusta.

If Wrekin, who upset Eton three years ago, or legerchant Taylor's, runners up six years ago, were

18 Op-19 Salmers Combe (B). N. Mitchell, 0:10-7
19 1300 Shoot the Lights (D, B). G. Buckland.
23 2124 Salion Rey (D). B. Forsor, 8:10-3 Darlington
24 1137 Killerby (C). J. Jowell. 13-10-0 Modba?
25 2124 Salion Rey (D). R. Forsor, 8:10-3 Darlington
26 2324 Epringsow (D). R. Turnell, 8:10-0 Modba?
26 2325 Form's Little Al (B). W. R. Williams.
27 1000 Sowhald (D). D. Barons, 8:10-0 Cargoog 7
28 2924 Tom's Little Al (B). W. R. Williams.
29 2925 Tom's Little Al (B). W. R. Williams.
21 2025 Vanished, J. Long. 11:10-0
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Shrewsbury are the holders, having broken away last year from that small group of schools— Uppingham, Malvern, Cranleigh for example—who have falied over the years only at the last step. The winners are in the same quarter as Harrow, who will be thirting for revence against them after last year if they get the chance. Harrow have per-

buckle on his armour again. He was 60 when he contributed to the most recent of Barrow's nine victories in 1978. victories in 1978,

Harrow's first match, against Epsom, is tomorrow and one searches in vain for signs of a really blood curding encounsed on a high level today. That indicates an even draw. Rughy will he glad to be through to Saturday, when they may expect various busy men of business, such as 'R. J. Bevan and M. F. Attenborough, to bring them up to full strength; Eton should have at least two. strong players in form, Richard. Eton should have at least two-strong players in form, Richard Hurst, recent winner of the Lora, Worden Cup at Rye, and Mark Dixon, a finalist in the Sunning-dale Foursomes. They are also re-inforced by the discovery of a one handicap Spaniard from Madrid, J. Marquez, It is time-they began to threaten again.

they began to threaten again. BEAL: Borkhamsted v Dulwich; inchesion v Mariborough; Walson s v SANDWICH: Aldenham v Morchae'
ton Eastlourne v Tenbridge' Chesterhouse v Downaide: Stonyhurst v
City of London: Liverpool v Blundell's:
Whiter! v Uppingham: Lorenta v Mile
Hill: Clifton v Brighton: St Beeg' v
Slowe: The Leys v Fadley! Hakerburg
v Glenalmond; Malvern v Forest.

London oarsmen

in South Africa

By Jim Railton.
The main issues arising out of the Amateur Rowing Association's council meering this week concerned money and conscience, which are often bot entirely unrelated. According to your persuasion, money can make the world go around or, from the pressure amateur point of view. It

Rowing

off to train

#### Boxing Matchmaker

ta' es on C in court

York, April 8. A three man dollar private haw suit the dissolution of the World Boxing Council (WBC) in World Boxing Council (WBC) in the United States has begun in the US District Court.

The suit filed by Teddy Brenner, a former president of Madison Square Garden's boxing department and a matchmaker for 40 years, claims the WBC and its Mexican president. José Sula-man, conspired to suffic competition in the promotion of world championship bouts in the Utited States.

Mr Brenner seeks to show that the WBC and Mr Sulaiman engaged in "predatory acts" to prevent him from competing as a matchmaker. The hearing, or which began yesterday, is the pearling, which began yesterday, is the petted to last about 10 day's. Among those likely to testify any the world's leading boxing promitters, Bob Arum and Don King ters, Bob Arum and Don King Mr Brenner charges that Mr. Sulaiman has "dictatorial powers over the WBC", and uses those powers to benefit Mr King.

Cycling Weveloem (Belgium); Ghent-Wevelgem race; (25) km; 1 1 Raas (Netherlands), 5hrs 47mins; 2 R, de Vlaeminck; 5 Deegyer; 6 Braun (WO); 1 Deegyer; 7 A, tan de Poel; Netherlands), all 12sec behind. 12. S, Kelly (iroland), 15sec behind. 28, 6, Jones (GB), 322.

Basketball NATIONAL ASSOCIATION: Boston Crillice 109, Chicago Estils '17' Milwau-kee Bucks 109', Phil. Jelphia 76ers '4'! Hous-on Bockets 107', San Antonio Spurs vis: Phoenix Suns 102, Kanas City Kings 80.

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### our route changed to cater or an extra large field

SCOL NH

) (2.1) MERLIN HUNTERS CHASE
HUNTERS (2.256, 5m)
TER WAY, b. 8. by Salmonnway
Spinis—Marghia (0), Cartery,
10th Bahar (14, 11)
10th Charles, 10th Charles, 10th Bahar (14, 11)
10th Charles, 10

First Found of Francome (9-2), and Havard S. Smith Eccles (9-1) 2 9 Hard ... Sleve Knight (5-1) 3 FOTE Win, 5-19 250, 5. Dual F 52.06 CSF 51 25 1. White at Lambourn 51, 51 fem (9-3 fav), Fortune Cockie 131 44, 12 ran.

(3.8) PEREGRINE CHASE (Han-lican £5.641 21,m) IRY KING, gr g. b. Prefair)—

John Wilcockson
This year's Tour de France may be a record number of starters, nating the 1928 total of 162 ers. The organizers of the 00 kilometres race have nounced that they are expected as many as 18 teams to set to from Nice on June 25. If so, numbers of riders in each m will be reduced from 10 to ite.

To cater for such a large field, s year's route announced last tober, is baying to be slightly indiffed. The first big change is reduce the distance of the fifth use finishing at Pla-d'Adet in the each Pyrenees, from 132 to 71 d a half mites by starting the

SHELL BURST, ch g, by Buster— Coral Beach (Shelkh Ali Abu Khamsin, 6-11-0 H. Darles (20-1) 1

Rhamsin', Grand R. Davies (20-1) 1
Cottic Rambier S. Morshood (16-1) 2
Ascencia R. R. Davies (60-1) 3
TOTE: Win, \$1.46, Places, 20-0, 26-0, 580, Dual F. \$6.28, CS: 20-1, 55. L. Kennard, at Taunion, 81.
13. Derring Rose, (8-1) lay: Dropshoi (50-1) 4th, 15 ran, 4-10 (4-16) Goldengagle Chase
10. 4-10 (4-16) Goldengagle Chase
10. 14-16, Collengagle Chase
10. 14-16, 21-m;
10. 14-16,

Applante H. Davios (7-2 Ji fav) 2

Horse trials

## Badminton entries ready for dressage

3.13 (3.17) DANBY HANDICAP (Selling: £1,002: 1m)

King. Shoil Burst and Sering Chancel-lor. E53-90. JACKPOT not was: E36,285.60 carried forward in New-bury tomorrow, PLACEPOT! £385.90.

C.45 (2.47) HACKFALL HANDICAP (Approntices: £862: 6f)

Ripon results

Show was disqualified from second place and placed last, King Ba proplace and placed last, King Ba proplace and Soluthdown Spring Direction Second and Soluthdown Spring Direction Second Secon

By Pamela Macgregor-Morris Badminton horse trials, with which. Whitbread have been which. Whitbread have been associated for 21 years, start at 8.50 this morning when Lucinda Prior-Palmer, already victorious on a record four occasions, initiates two days of dressage on her first horse. Killaire, the conquering hero for Charles Cayzer in 1979. He will be followed by Clarissa Strachan on Merry Sovereign and Richard Meade on Speculator III and these three will bring up the rear at the end of Friday after-

The field of 95 had shrunk to 80 before yesterday evening, when the first vetarinary inspection took place on the north front of Badminton House. A departure from tradition which has been dictated by the number of entries. It will be repeated for Sunday morning's

imping stage.

All 80 surviving entries passed the panel and will take the field. As riders are limited by the international rules to two borses apiece. Miss Prior Palmer has withdrawn Falmouth Bay and will start the New Zealand-bred grey, Marangi Bay with Killaire. Richard Meade has withdrawn Three Cups, who competed at Bramham and Burghley last year, and Miss Strachan has withdrawn Radjel, who has made a remarkable recovery from a dislocated fetlock joint. This was the result of an untoward encounter with a motor ear on the was the result of an untoward en-counter with a motor car on the road opposite his home at Cullomp-ton, and competed last autumn at Osberton. The defending holder of the Whitbread Trophy, Mark Todd, of New Zealand, with Southern Confort III, will do his test late to-

Since 1976, Badminton has been the only event which not only offers free stabling and forage for all the horses, but accommodates and feeds all the grooms as well. The grooms' canteen is the old servents hall of Badminton House,

morrow afternoon, but the fav-ourite, Bruce Davidson, with Mike Tango. on whom he won his second world title in 1978, at Lex-ington, Kentucky will perform his dressage somewhat earlier in his dressage somewhat earlier in the day, probably between the coffee break and lunch. The Whitbread Trophy which this year lies between 10 compet-ing nations, was worth £150 to the winner when it was first pre-sented but now carries £3,000 prize money. The expense of keeping, training, equipping, and travelling a horse has increased commen-surately since that time,

and its walls are lined with ant-lers, many of them centuries old.

Olympic Games

#### Sports ministers asked to oppose racialism

The president of the International Olympic Committee (IOC), Juan Antonio Samaranch, again condemned racial discrimination in sport yesterday. Mr Samaranch told the Council

of Europe sports ministers, who of Europe sports ministers, who began a three-day meeting in Palma, Majorca, that the IOC had been the first body to condemn racial discrimination officially and bad absolutely no intention of going back on the issue. The United Nations special committee against apartheid are said to have asked the ministers—in a cable asked the ministers—in a cable to the Council of Europe head-quarters in Strasbourg—to con-sider racial discrimination and take

The conference is scheduled tomorrow to discuss matters of political concern in international sport. They will also consider the possibility of a permanent site for the Olympic Games and a reduction tion of the use of national symbols. Mr Samaranch said that decisions on both issues would be taken at the 11th Olympic Congress in Baden-Baden in September.

He told reporters that the IOC was working towards a definition of professionalism which would help the committee decide who was eligible for the Olympics. Those coming within the professional category would be excluded.

Hector Monro, Britain's Minister for Sport, called for stepping up of the campaign against drugs. was working towards a definition of professionalism which would

suasion, money can make the world go around or, from the pure amateur point of view, it is the root of all evil in sport. For a moment those homespun philosophies must take a back seat. Five oarsmen and their coach David Tanner, have gone to train in South Africa.

The oarsmen hail from Loudon-Thames Tradesmen, who want to wan a gold medal for Great Britain in Munich next September. To achieve this they are making many personal sacrifices, including loading their blood with oxygen. They have chosen South Africa because of the climate at this time of the year and to lessen the effects of jet lag with the small time difference flying from north to south. This is intended as an experiment before attempting the exercise again in Europe just before the world championships.

The crew and coach stress that they have gone to South Africa to train and not compete and so did not need ARA approval. But the ARA executive committee, realising that the visit would altitude—against my wishes—for the visit.

So they have gone out as club So they have gone out as club crews on a private vist. Cymics will ask whether they have taken will the United Nations, who are to issue a blacklist next month, vie w the visit? It all arises from the assumption that to win a world or Olympic championship metlal it is necessary to train at altitude. altitude.

When I trained a crew at high

when I rained a crew at high altitude—againgst my wishes—for the Olympic Games in 1972, the only thing I found altitude guaran-teeing; was sore throats. It remains to be seen whether altitude train-ing in South Africa promotes bad consciences. The party have gone out aware of the likely controversy, perhaps somewhat blinkered by their ambition for their

country.

I am delighted to see that by a majority the ARA council have allowed monitored money prizes for approved regattas. They had rejected this after a year's trial but member clubs demanded an about turn!

#### **NEW BOOKS**

## Other and better things

**English Culture and** the Decline of the **Industrial Spirit** 1850-1980

By Martin J. Wiener

(Cambridge, £9.95) "We are here" remarked an English industrialist to an interviewer in the 1960s,

to make carpets as pleasantly as possible, and to make a profit without sacrificing the provision of a good civilized life for the work people. Human beings are first on my list. I've always been well off, and I don't want to make a million quid.

Assuming that he meant what he said, this strikes me as a self evidently admirable way to carry on, but one can read to the very end of English Culture and the Decline of the Industrial Spirit without discovering whether Martin J. Wiener thinks so, too. I suspect he might, for if he began this absorbing inquiry into anti-industrial opinion in Britain between the Great Exhibition and the election of Margaret Thatcher as an indictment English unwillingness and in-ability to change today, he has ended with a record of only a little hypocrisy and much that is honourable and good. "My father pever had much money", reflected J. B. Priestley in 1970, "but then he was not thinking about money, but about other and better things."

English Culture contains few

economic facts and virtually no statistics at all. It is a synthesis statistics at all. It is a synthesis of other men's views. Instead of figures it uses the words of writers, speakers, publicists, and politicians - among many, Ruskin, Mill, Arnold, Dickens, Inge, Baldwin, Macdonald, Tawney, Trevelyau and Keynes who shared a common who shared a common distaste for industrialism, a belief that it was somehow unsuited to the genius of the English people; many also believed that the true morality of England law in the millions

of England lay in the village, the countryside and the land. Some of this was wistful metropolitan fantasy. "I can see the village greens", cried George Lansbury in 1934, "with Maynoles once again the Maypoles once again erected, and the boys and girls, young men and maidens, all joining in the mirth and foll of heavy Day' (Mirth and what, George? The view from Poplar might at times almost be confused with the strength and

joy being expended elsewhere that year). Surely not even William Morris believed that London had ever really been "small, and white, and clean"? But the rustic dream dreamed on, and two Prime Ministers elected to pose as sons of the soil because, in the Twenties and Thirties, enough people who voted for them wanted to believe that they were.

Wiener dates Britain's irreversible industrial decline from its very point of technological climax, 1851. Inside the Crystal Palace itself, a vanguard of cultural counter-revolution was already, ticking away: Pugin's Medieval Court, cleverly dis-guising reaction and morality as good taste and nostalgia. The Great Exhibition's prospect of infinite economic development was never wholeheartedly embraced not, says, Wiener, as Is frequently asserted, because resources and markets fade.d away or had to be shared with first competitiors who arrived on the scene, because the individual and collective will to develop industinitely were simply not there. Status and prestige were valued above the mere making of more profits; engineers and businessmen declined in social acceptability; gentrification, the public schools, Orbridge and the City obsessed and engagered the obsessed and ensuared the entrepreneurial class, Finance abandoned industry, Efficiency was considered bad form, igreed distasteful to the Anglican God,

The book surveys a deep undertow of feeling — idealism, indifference, hostility — which indifference, hostility — which combined with numerous social, political and economic factors to slam the brakes on further growth. If we declined to commit ourselves to infinite expansion for Prince Albert or even to more modest growth for Macmillan, Wilson, and Heath, it is because we had, and have, no further wish to grow. Why, then did so many of us vote for Mrs Thatcher in 1979? To get some order, if Whener is correct, but not to grow.

American scholars receive much stick over here whenever they have the nervy to make unfamiliar imaginative patterns from areas of British experience shared by Beritons still

ence shared by Erritons still alive — their inexhaustible interest in our crisis springs partly from a desire to avoid, in due course, going the same way and they are particularly taken to task for shifting the

Professor of History at Rice University, Texas, Wiener is not guilty of that, for if he offers a perfocular and selective view, he defines it explicitly with no pretence that it is going to eighain all. A second volume is reeded to show how we managed to invent the first industrial revolution, despite our argued distaste for both revolution and industry, and a third to examine the views of the urban and rural labouring

the urban and rural labouring class from, as say, 1800 to the present day.

The only clue to the popular, and therefore political, effectiveness of the middle-class sensibilities who inform English Culture and the Decline of the Industrial Spirit are the sales. Industrial Spirit are the sales figures of those who performed sensationally well: Robert Blatchford's bucolic socialist dream of Merrie England (1894) cleared more than a million copies; so did the pamphlets of the 1941 Malvern Church conference which promoted a postwar world away from the shattered industrial cities. Trevelyan's English Social History was one of the most successful, and characteristic, books of the Forties, and Trevelyan had told us we had lost our souls:

us we nan lost our souls:
The modern Englishman is fed and clothed better than his ancestor, but his spiritual side, in all that connects him with the beauty of the world, is utterly starved as no people have been starved in the history of the world.

It is a well-organized book, rich in wide reading and examples, some drawn from imaginative literature, occasionally (Gaudy Night, Decline and Fall) with an apparent unawareness of irony and rather too straight a face. Wiener makes his points clearly, supports, illustrates and develops them, sums up. He is a trifle sums up. He is a trifle repetitive. There is some occasional fractured syntax, more misprints than should be more misprints than should be allowed in a book from this press, and one or two questionable cross-cultural grabs: "Queen Anne style" was hardly the architectural equivalent of Hardy's novels, nor were Voysey and the Arts and Crafts designers to exclusively quaint Voysey and the Arts and Crafts designers so exclusively quaint as Wiener seems to think: Voysey's work is distinguished by the pioneering modernity of its comfort, light and space, and the impercably ambiguous Professor might just think that, for England, this was distinction and progress enough.

Michael Ratcliffe



Shiva, Lord of the Dance, from "The History of the Dance" (Orbis, £15) magnificently illustrated, from early rituals to the ballet and John Travolta, with such delights as Goya's "The burial of the sardine", by two eminent, witty, readable and learned critics of the dance, Mary Clarke and Clement Crisp.

#### Poetry

John Ashbery is the Salvador Dali of contemporary verse in English — by which I mean that he is a master draughtsman who has designs on his audience to convince us that he is really a geruus. Like Dali, he has no one genus. Like Dall, he has no one recognizable or characteristic manner. His work is an anthology of styles. He writes poems in which nothing is certain, and meaning is consistently withheld. Some of his earlier books (I'm thinking particularly of The Tennis Court Oath, published in 1962) consist of verse of such remorseless of verse of such remorseless obscurity that there was even an anecdote current that he seventh line down on the seventh line down on the seventh page of every seventh book in his library. If not true, then it still tells a truth. Ashbery is many voices in one man. He's a joker, a trickster, a clown. What is remarkable about him is that, having said about nim is that, having said this, I still have to say that the poems in his As We Know (Carcanet New Press, £4.95) have a quality of pure mesmerism. The long "Litany" especially, written in double columns, for two voices which we are meant to hear or overhear simultaneously but independently, is a stunning

back. Instrumental in this process are of course the brief individual passages which can immediately be understood:
But poetry is making things in the past; The past transcends and excuses Grimy arguments which for over a

a was Ail het up about: us charm, no longer Grace, in the long run, which is what

trates a playfully profound imagination upon the whole problem of meaning and identity, and comes up with no answers, only alternative questions in the form of verse which in a sense replaces the joys and anxieties which inspired it. He always seems determined to puzzle out some more-than-personal truth from all the accents sonal truth from all the accents and accidents of its saying, with a result that while he has no single "voice" he often rises to an unquestionable authority of tone. He will baffle you. But he will haunt you. It's worth working through the bafflement to the ghost, in my opinion. To return to my original figure: while Ashbery, like Dall, can turn out work which seems merely jewelled and meretricious, his is nevertheless a real and disturbing talent. In the corner of the most stagey Dali picture, you will often find a well-drawn boat or wrista well-drawn boat or wrist-watch. In the corner of Ashbery's most rhetorical and evasive poems, you will often find lines as memorable and truthful as any going.

Edward Thomas, at his best, consists of nothing else but such corners. In a sense he was helped here by the fact that he did not start writing poems until he was 36, and by the accident of his death in the first stages of the Battle of Arras some three years later. If the writing of poetry may be compared to walking, we might say that a poet who begins young (and Thomas is the only major poet I can think of who did not) learns to run before he can walk, learns how to deal can walk, learns how to deal with the "big" moments before he can find meaning in the "small" things of maybe more profound significance, and when he is not running the young poet may waste his time trying to imitate other walkers or setting out deliberately to develop an original walk of his own, the deliberateness being in this case absurd. Thomas as it were, plenty about the proper disposition of his arms

Yet seem, too, to be listening, lying it wall for what I should, yet never can green bush Of Lad's-love, or Old Man, no child

That will prevail, I think, when nigher pitched voices have worn themselves out. Thomas wrote only 144 poems in that astonish-ing burst of energy which was his very brief life as a poet. Of that number, about two dozen are of the first water. He was not a war poet. His work — as Martin Seymour-Smith once pointed out — is ultimately nearer to Rilke than to Robert Prost. Seymour-Smith defines his subject-matter as "not nature — though he evokes nature finely — but the menacing and termenting web of eroticism, beauty (as he felt in nature) and solipsist experi-ence". I think this is worth repeating because it is true, and because Edward Thomas is so octause Edward Inomas is so
often misunderstood and underestimated because faintly
praised for the wrong reasons.
The new Oxford paperback
contains also his private diary
kept during his last three

Hans Magnus Enzensberger's The Sinking of the Titanic (Carcanet New Press, £3.95) is interesting. The poet takes an historical event and pursues it through 33 cantos and a number of the state of the s of interspersed pieces which examine and attack his own motives and methods. I found the nervous self-questionings more moving than the narrative more moving than the narrative sections, though the latter are certainly impressive in their variety, moving from the lyric to the satirical with much ease and authority. The translation from the German has been done

by Enzensberger himself.
Finally, I would like to recommend Herbert Lomas's collection entitled Public Footnath (Anvil Press, £3.25) for its sequence "Todmorden", about the Pennines where he was born and spent his childhood; Libby Houston's At the Mercy (Allison & Busby, £4.95, £2.75) for its & Busby, £4.95, £2.75) for its very moving title poem in memory of her husband, the artist Maj Dean, who died of cancer in 1974 at the age of 33; and Peter Porter's English Subitles (Oxford, £3.50) for its excursions and discursions in many forms and directions.

Robert Nye

## Reflections in a set of mirrors

Like it Was The Diaries of Malcolm Mugge-ridge, selected and edited by John Bright-Holmes

(Collins, £9.95) (Collars, £9.95)

Roll up! Roll up! SEE the Diarist getting disillusioned with the Soviet Union! WATCH him dancing the Roger de Coverley in wartime Portugal! HEAR his doubts about whether George Orwell's reputation is justified!

Or, as the slip on the bookjacket puts it, not much less raucously: "You've watched the TV. Now read the Diaries."

Diaries."
In the foreword to this

selection, Malcolm Muggeridge describes himself as "a true child of the 20th century, with a sceptical mind and a sensual disposition." I don't know about that: it's a Pascalian pirouette, claiming at once too much and too little. But he's certainly a true child of showbiz he's made the Grade there; whatever his much-aired doubts about his achievements

In fact, if the Creationists are right, I think we've been honoured with the best-authenticated example of homo multi-medius. It is years since I saw Malcolm Muggeridge in the flesh; and I now think of him as a kind of Magritte figure: he exists in a whole set of barber's mirrors (the TV reflecting the autobiographies, which reflect the diaries) but there's no one

the diaries) but there's no one at all in the chair.

These diaries prove me wrong. Or at least, they prove (as with religious myths) that a Man existed once. They have been heavily cut down from the originals; and some tinkering the control of t has gone on. (It is hard to know how much. Certainly some background material has been silently added to the text. And the text itself is based on a redictation by Muggeridge from the original diaries.) But they seem to convey the true note of seem to convey the true note of life as she is lived. "I write it carelessly, as it comes", he says in the first year represented here - 1932.

There are three main sections: Muggeridge in Moscow, trying to send back copy to the Manchester Guardian; in India on the staff of the Calcutta Statesman, and in England under the Attles government. The rest is infill — a few pages about various foreign assignments, some elderly sententiousness towards the end, and a long gap during the war, when he worked for British intelli-

ence. This gap is tantalizing, be-nuse one of the things cause cause one or the things Muggeridge was, was a special variety of social climber. He went to a local school, and then to an unsmart Cambridge

graduates from state schewere still distinctly rare, married "up" - to Beat Webb's niece and started make his way in the world. The decision, in the Se World War, not to send al intellectuals over the top, not to repeat the massacre
the Somme, had an imporsocial effect — which we
only just beginning to see
end of. They were drafted j
the grey world of espionage counter-espionage and counter-espionage and chological warfare" insuffering at Selhurst gram school, Muggeridge made ig member of Pratt's. But he i became a member of that gre and, in a way, smarter cl

Once in the secret world, per never seem quite to leave it.

Men from MI5 and MI6 boi and out of the postwar page the diary. Dick White, the heart of the common to brack it. of MI5, "came to lunch": talked about the Daily Wo and how it is financed."
again: "Went along to Mie
the afternoon, and, to
considerable emberrassm saw Goronwy Rees going Or, at a Royal Aca-banquet, "Rather gra-when Munnings went Anthony Blunt, a spinster finicky figure, with whom I some dealings in MI5 during

war."
The Soviet diaries (on wh based) are very moving: he : "iron theory crushing out lives of the people". He red into a neutral (rather the right-wing) scepticism. But practice this meant leader-wing for The Daily Telegraph. In the Indian pages, Mug ridge emerges as a kind lascivious white raider, catch up on the Kama Sutra, ; meeting the lovely Khursh "She is indescribably anin exquisitely animal." He has i quality of all good diarists: doesn't mind being seen make a fool of himself.

The lightest, and most am ing, pages are those where tries to see the funny side the not very funny Attlee yes
In the company of Orw
Anthony Powell, Grah
Greene, his sharp paragray
are like shorthand chapt
drafts for A Dance to the Mu of Time.

The intermittent religios is, I have to say, maudin a reads like fakery (whether it or not). I also got increasing intrigued by another grey at his obviously very longs: fering wife. There's a hint some pages that, but recurrent dyspepsia, we wonknow a very different Mug-ridge. We must be grateful the no satisfactory cure has be found.

Paul Bark

**Fiction** 

The Turn-around By Vladimir Volkoff Translated by Alan Sheridan (Bodley Head, £6.95) Goebbels and Gladys

By Keith Colquhoun (John Murray, £6.95) Tit for Tat By Verity Bargate

(Cape, £5.95) The Tokyo-Montana Express

Richard Brautigan

(Cape, £6.50)

A successful master-spy, Vladi-mir Volkoff declares, is a failed novelist. Indiscretion and Ingratitude characterize scribbler and spook alike. The Turn-around is, however, a successful novel, which makes Mr. Volkoff appear a spy manque. I shall he indiscreet and grateful enough to say that his book lies in the no-man's-land of literature between Dostoevsky and Graham Greene, trapped somewhere between The Possessed and Our Man in Havana.

The psychological spy novel as practised by Greene and Le Carre segmed trapped in its own. carre seemed trapped in its own dead end. More and more elegant imitations of the genre were turning forests into best-sellers. The Turn-around converts stale timber into stimulating questions. The pastiche becomes the provocative. In one of the notable passages of the book, the hero discusses the roots of the biblical Greek verb epistrepho, meaning "to change, to turn", in order to explain how a KGB Major and militant

called Culverin, invented in Paris to keep spooks in their jobs by turning a KGB Major Popov, into a heady piece of political and religious philosophical drama. The climax, in which a tape-machine hidden under a lectern records Popov's confession to a Russian priest, is inspired by the Grand Inquisitor's speech in The Brothers Karamazov. It is one love God and those who wish destroy the love of Him.
Turn-around entertains informs while nagging the mi and the soul. It should be re

and reread.

Goebbels and Gladys des... There is no conversion be The question is — How lot does it take a Fleet Street hato rurn? Keith Colquhot knows his Street of Shame s by evasion: indeed, he calls hook both fiction and non-fi tion.His protagonist is a litt Goebbels, a professional principared to invent history, disto facts and pervert truth all for by-line and a salary. The scenby-line and a salary. The scep are nastily accurate, the di logue often witty. "I sometime wonder", the anti-hero says, "Beaverbrook and Rothermer invented Hitler and Musso. The answer is — very probable and daily, if it sold more paper — In this book, the worm turn because his woman is black. It is asked to do a biased series or racism and leaves to write racism and leaves to write novel. This is something to rea for those who wish to be amused by the dirty tricks Fleet Street. For those that at alread disgusted by them, Th Turn-around contains mor irony and thought about ho misinformation may still cor 05 tain truths enough to b 154 significant.

For the third novel in a rov 300 Verity Bargate makes ou that stomachs turn and our heart and eache. Tit for Tat tells the stor are of a gurl's hetrayal by he act. mother, step-father, lover, an are husband, until she is pushe delid that destroys her life. A black than that destroys her life. A black from humour, a laconic and lucit style, and a grim accuracy make compelling reading of Missargate's account of grievous bodily harm. She knows how to leave pain by sudden laughter "God's a Tory", a woman says facing a cancer operation. "Al single these cuts." The author might have almost anything if she have almost anything if she have to leave the scrutny of the latter water of society.

Of the flower children of the latter water of the society.

Of the flower children of yesteryear, Richard Brautical published the most original or ables and the straightest prose. There seemed more than Gertrude Stein or Saroyan in him. There was a searching for contemporary myths and feelings as intense as in a harku The Tokyo-Montana Express bas come off the rails. It is the nas come off the rails. It is the diary and jottings of an uncoupled mind. More like pot pourn now. Mr Brautigan greet off a faint and disordered smell of the writer he was. "I think my mind is going", he observes of himself. "It is changing into a cranial junkyard." He is too talented not to try to put his. talented not to try to put his head together again.

Andrew Sinclair

The Broken Road: Letters

astonishingly stremuous walks, even climbing, learning to ride a Vespa, buying pretty clothes (Molyneux, Schiaparelli, Hartnell) though always rather hard up. She surprised herself and her friends by marrying Stewart Perowne in 1947, a marriage which come to cricimarriage which came to price here indicated, but not dwelled upon, in years that held more

## Playing games

The Games War A Moscow Journal By Christopher

Booker (Faber, £5.95. Paperback £2.95) Moscow during the Olympic Games was not the Moscow of today. Even those of us who were there for the first time realized that despite our spparent freedom to travel throughout its newly spruced up centre and extensive concrete suburbs we were cocooned either by our typical lack of adventure or unease over where such adven-

We went as accredited sports journalists and some of us would have admitted to Christopher Booker's impression that we had reservations about his intentions. His brief from the Daily Mail appeared to be the exhumation of anything that would reflect badly on the host country, and probably make our

He confesses that when the Mail asked what he thought about "covering" the Olympics: the offer came as a complete surprise

to me. for as a critic and commentator I am the kind of journalist who does not normally stray further from his desk than the kitchen next door to make a cup of Once in Moscow he probably

strayed further than any other British journalist and the nutcome is an essay in support of his repugnance of the Soviet system, but increased appreci-ation of the people.

I found it hard to suppress a

feeling that he used the Games as brutelly as the Soviet

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authorities and some western governments. Firs comments on governments. Fris comments on the sport are perfunctory; he visits the Lenin Stadium between his many other activities and is troubled that the death of Vladirnir Vysotsky, an actor and singler ("perhaps the best loved in Russia") should not penetrate the "Olympic bubble" which was the Rossiya Hotel, the press centres and the stadia. His reaction tells as much shout him as the lowers! much about him as the journalists by and large, live in a perpetual bubble of sporting events and were, predictably,

was much the same as in Montreal and Munich though without the visible threat of the gun, but Booker probes the psychology of those whose lives are restricted to perpetual geography — the outer limits that for three weeks the rest of us were, prepared to overlook.

He interprets all signs of restriction and security as evidence of the whole oppress-ive, failing system. At the heart of the objections to Moncow as an Olympic site was not Afghanistan, a timely sign (if Soviet aggression, but the knowledge that the Games would be used for propaganda,

Books:r expresses it well the real tragedy of communism is that it so desperately tries to preund through its glorification of power and organization and the collective, that organization and the collective, that it can inspire the lofitest feelings, can spead; of human aignity, can breathe the language of the soul. And it can not do this because it denies those term; pairs of the human personality from which such things derive.

If he joined those who propagated political beliefs through a sports occasion, his sensitive observations leave strorts journalists to question their insularity and their readi-tiess to overlook almost anything provided the telephone service operates and the bars "gone to bed" at home. But in Moscow many of us joined with him as the Olympic flame went

I was seized by an irrational fear. I felt that, so long as that flame had been alight we had somehow been all right, but now we were all suddenly back in darkness and uncertainty. Anything could happen.

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Norman Fox

## very much amused

The Young Victoria

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By Alison Plowden

(Weidenfeld & Nicolson, £9.95)

Old Mr Creevey was at Brighton again in 1837 and capitulated at once to the young Queen ferred that this unassuming narrative does not bring out.
The actual childhood, as

distinct from girlhood, appears to have been anything but sad. Plowden shows, like scenes from a magic lantern, all manner of bright glimpses of the rosy little girl at Kensington Palaca. Leigh Hunt enjoyed secing her walking in Kensingfootman who looked "somehow like a gigantic fairy". And sometimes in hay-making time she could be seen out with her own little rake, fork and cart. Once when she was four George IV sent for her to Cariton House to be shown off at a state dinner party and was "creatly delighted" with her. At Windsor a little later occurred the celebrated early demonstration

the band should play, she replied "On, Uncle King, I should like God save the King better than any other tune." She sounds a delightful child, tantrums and all, and she was in fact a great success with the Family, William IV and Queen sington Palace, the Insh adven-turer Sir John Conroy, with their schemes for personal power, who made life increas-ingly miserable No wonder Greville remarked as she grew

are hard to come by except in public libraries, and only the strict specialist in this most documented of lives will be able

Jan Stephens | fighting for Greece."
Sir Nicolas Cheetham represented us at Athens for many

Victoria. He was particularly the Duchess of Kent. "I never saw", he wrote, "a more pretty or natural devotion than she shows to her mother in everything. . . " Greville, too everything...." Greville, too — and more significantly, since he knew the true state of affairs — testified to her "irreproach-able" manner to the Duchess. This is perhaps the only aspect of the "sad childhood" to which Victoria afterwards re-

of royal tact when, asked what

Adelaide - whom one can't help liking more and more — appear to have been devoted to her. It was only the Duchess of Kent and that tyrant of Kenup on a "caution and prudence" regrettable in one so young. It is a dark and unlikely background for the girlhood of an 
English princess in the nine-

teenth century.

Her accession changed every thing. Miss Plowden entitles one chapter "I Was Very Much Amused". It reveals a normal girl's passion for the opera, theatres and dancing, and more than a normal girl's rejoicing in the more serious opportunities that now came her way. There was the Coronation, here presented more touchingly than usual; there was, from the very beginning, kind Lord Mel-bourne; and eventually and best of all there was Albert. A book such as this, devoted to only a section of Queen Victoria's life. has compensating advantages. There is more room to draw on those earlier accounts which. although in every bibliography, to complain that he is none the wiser for it.

overhear simutaneously but independently, is a stunning achievement. I cannot understand it, and after several readings I am convinced that being understood is no part of Ashbery's purpose, yet it has a power of verbal fascination which keeps drawing the reader

You begin to contemplate them

Poetry Has already happened. And the Of looking steadily at something isn't Really there at all, it's something pour Once read about, its narrative thrust Carries it far beyond what it thought

What it comes down to is this, perhaps: that Ashbery's work intrigues because it concen-

proper disposition of his arms and legs before he came to poetry, this poet hit his stride immediately. Here is the conclusion of what the new paperback edition of The Collected Poems of Edward Thomas (Oxford, £2.95) shows to have been only the fourth poem he wrote in his life:

I have muslaud the key. I sniff the spran

spray And think of nothing, I see and I

## Down with barbarians

Mediaeval Greece By Nicolas Cheetham

No period of history has been so closely and lovingly studied as what went on in Greece between 600 BC and the death of Alexander. After that we lose interest. Gibbon remarked loft-ily that he was not going to pursue the obscure and various dynasties that rose or fell on the continent or in the isles. After the Glory had departed, the post-classical Greeks were "discounted as the unmoral refuse of mediaeval Slav migrations, sullying the land of their birth with the fury of their politics and the malfor-mation of their small brown bodies". When Greece is not free, it hardly counts as Greece. As the Corinthian boy wrote in the sand for Mummius, the Goering of the Roman occu-pation army: "Three and four times happy are the Greeks who died on the wide plans of Troy,

years. His study of the age when Greece was ruled by princes from the West is the first in English since 1908, although Sir Steven Runciman's Mistra published last year covers half the territory. It is a story rich in complication between Greeks and Slavs, Franks and Caralans, Italians and Turks, Orthodox and Catholic and Muslim, East and

The stage is peopled with an extraordinary cast, from philo-gamous Isabelle, Lady of Kala-mata and Princess of Achaia, to the Rhinelander Berthold von Katzenellenbogen, whose name must have tripped the tongues of his Thessalian vassals. The period is fraught with extravagance. Fourteen thousand Bulgarian prisoners are blinded and sent back to the Tsar, who, understandably, dies of hurror, Burgundian knights break lances between the ruined colonnades of archaic temples, and Turkish and Venetian galleys chase each other around the waters once ruled by the

If there can be a central theme in so muddled a period it is that the Greek and Latin

currents in medieval Hellas obstinately refused to blend. England assimilates its invaders and immigrants and turns them into Englishmen. Foreign domination just made the Greeks more Greek, and more aware of their own cultural and religious way of life, more contemptious of the barbarians. The Frankish layer was a part of France transplanted to Greek soil.

The book is particularly interesting about the cultural interaction between the oil and vinegar of East and West. Although medieval Greece is a submerged period of history, it surfaces in strange places. Mistra implanted true Greek culture in the Italian Renaissance. Dante, Boccaccio, and Shakespeare conferred upon Theseus, the national hero of ancient Athens, the medieval title of Duke; and Chaucer's Theseus is a flower of medieval not archaic chivalry. The Delphic oracle was not quite right in its celebrated epitaph: the splendid hall had not entirely fallen to the ground. Apollo still had a dwelling.

Philip Howard

Marxist could suffer a conver-sion to belief in God as surprising and apostolic as Saul on the road to Damascus.

By his concentration on the common dialectic within Christianity and Marxism, by his knowledge of the Russian rituals and roots that still bind emigre and Communist together, Mr Volkoff has changed the banal story of an operation

of the more trenchant dialogues yet written between those who

Volume 6, 1947-52, by Freya Stark, edited by Lucy Moorehead (Michael Russell, £9.50). The first letter is written from Windsor Castle, the last from Athens, and they span the range of friendships and interest, from Bernard Berenson, Lord Wavell, the Duff Coopers, John Grey Murray, to friends far younger than herself, concerning writing, travelling,

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#### Nationwide BBC 1

in a set

#### Michael Ratcliffe

A poor week for boozers, women and members of parliament: for a boozing woman MP indeed a disaster. Dr Marsha Morgan told us that women get drunk more easily than men and should always drink less, affectible not at all Lord preferably not at all. Lord Lubbock attacked the "Niagara of drink" available at West minster as long as the Com-mons and Lords are in session, and said how awful it all was.
The law of libel prevented his
naming names, of course, and
Nationwide flashed up a photograph of Churchill giving a
squiffy V-sign and Gaitskell smelling a rose to show what they thought, but the tee-totalling zeal in Lubbock's eves remained bright. On Monday Sir Horace Cutler won a prize, and on Tuesday he discounted the probability of defeat next month and told us how smash-ing the Tories had been over the last four years at County Hall.

The true purpose of Nation wide is to assure us that, whatever uncontrollable atrocities may have occurred in the early evening news, real life in Britain goes on, and may be chopped into an infinite variety of frequently incomplete shapes for easy digestion. plete shapes for easy digestion.
Longer items, like that
on the surgical reshaping of a boy's face at the Eastman Dental Clinic, are someimes impressive, and someimes, as on the activities of the
Animal Liberation Front,
simply not ready for publicasimply not ready for publication. This week is supposed to be different. Nationwide has been calling attention to itself on the cover and four inside pages of Radio Times with glowing commendations from all areas of the community as to its value and purpose. It is offering a special series of reports in which the national mesenters, responding to invi-tations from what Sue Lawley described as "interesting com-munities", descend, briefly and godlike, into the sticks.

She herself last night offered decent item on the disabled residents at the Papworth
Settlement. Earlier Hugh
Scully went to Gloucester and
Frank Bough to Rochdale.
But special? Tonight Sally
Hardcastle has a chance to show if these reports are different in any way from the usual in the first of three items on Broadmoor—fortunate timing view of the widespread public misunderstanding that has recently come to light, and following Southern's sharp and courageous programme on the poems of the prisoner John Neish (shown locally, but not networked last Friday). I hope she does better than Scuily and Bough, the first of whom, an excellent studio presenter, re-turned mournfully from his bucolic assignment bearing a sheaf of truncated consumer complaints about bus shelters and double glazing and perhaps the most boring story of the year so far: should the ancient city of Gloucester have 45, 55 or 0 taxicabs available for public hire? The report from Roch-dale was even scrappier.

#### Comsat Angels Sundown

#### Fire Engines Embassy

#### Richard Williams

Down from Scotland on a tide If mystery and excitement, the fire Engines played on Tues-lay night to an audience conisting mainly of talent-spotting ecord company executives. At similar engagement in Lon-lon the previous night, 200 reople (mainly record company recutives) had been turned tway. As the Fire Engines inished their four-song, 12ninute set, the only possible eaction was relief: who would le a record company executive

The Fire Engines—two uitars, bass and drums—seem notivated solely by a desire to ppear original. One way of long that is to play songs so tarsh and unpleasant that bservers are simply intimi-bated into believing that some-bing new is going on. It is asy to suspect, however, that hese musicians spend more ime selecting their recherché unglasses than moulding their tarish guitar patterns, sub-leefheartian rhythms and booxious vocals into worth-rhile music. The record busiless can scarcely afford to gnore such fierce commitment. uch devious artistry; nor will

Across Soho, in dingier but nore appropriate surroundings, heffield's Comsat Angels nor nly confirmed the favourable mpression made by their first lbum, Waiting for a Miracle, ast year: they restored faith.

Stephen Fellows's singing ums up the group's overall chievement: without attempt. ng anything outlandish, a trong sense of character is stablished. This begins with he songs, which, at their best "Waiting for a Miracle". Dark Parade", "Real Story", Independence Day") present enuinely memorable melodic ook phrases within arrange-lents which take account of vusmic and textural shading-he mood is ominous and not little sardonic, but with a

nse of hope. Mic Glaisber's drumming opts or dark tom-tom patterns (no seudo-Africanisms, mind you), llowing Kevin Bacon's bass uitar to prompt and control te flow Andy Peake's discreet evboards colour Fellows's uitar, which usually saves its hivering harmonics and clang-ng chords for the brief but tense instrumental codas. (In his respect, and in others. ellows is a kindred spirit of 'he Sound's Adrian Borland.) Vhile there are musicians of passion and control round, the terminal over-coneptualization of such as the ire Engines can be held at bay.

#### Bartôk centenary triple bill at the London Coliseum

# A confusion of misconceived oriental images Both of Bartók's ballets are difficult to stage, but Flemming Flindt's treatment of The Miraculous Mandarin has proved one of the most enduring, and Festival Ballet's revival of it shows the dancers at their best. The sure grape of spite use which the prince tries to best. The sure grape of spite use which the prince tries to best.

of it shows the dancers at their best. The sure grasp of style contrasts with the mish-mash which has been made of The Wooden Prince, the only completely new production in the Coliseum's joint ENO/Festival triple bill.

The ballet has never been given before by any English company, and one easily understands why. The score is long, the plot short. The music does the plot short. The music does not rise to the originality, intensity or sustained imagination of Bartok's other two stage works. The whole concept is rooted in a period when, except for Diaghiler's innovations, baller was in a bad way. Granted all that, it still should be massible to make more of it be possible to make more of it than Geoffrey Cauley and Philip Prowse have done.

They seize on the slight orientalisms in the music, transer them half round the world from the near to the far east, and adopt a manner jumbling devices from Chinese and Japanese theatre, but so half-heartedly that black-dressed kuroko figures, conventionally accepted as invisible one moment, are kicking away in the chorus line the cart minute.

the chorus line the next minute.
Visually, Prowse's costumes
provide some striking moments,
although the extent of the eastern debt varies from slight hints, a fan or a floating sleeve, to the dress with banners fixed all over its back and the brightly coloured facial quarterings worn by Patricia Ruanne as a consequently mostly static

Choreographically, Cauley's attempt at a similar mixture is miserably half-bearted. Matz Skoog as the real prince has a few karate kicks to enliven his solos, but there is no point in having a trampoline for his attempts to reach the princess unless he jumps a lot higher.
And, since taking off his fine
coat is an important stage in
his courtship, to show him first

without it seems crazy.

Jane Scott, a late replace-

use as bait in his courtship.
But, with Janos Furst conducting the ENO Orchestra, perhaps the best thing is to follow Balanchine's joking suggestion: close your aves and hear tion: close your eyes and hear

a good concert.
To succeed with Bartók's stage works, you must take their dramatic content more the programme showed. Byan Shaw's Bluebeard and Flindt's Mandarin both demonstrate how well a half-abstract approach, free of place or period, can illuminate the sub-

Flindt's choreography reveals the characters in strenuous movement, not mime. Ben Van Cauwenbergh catches very well the terrifying determination of the mandarin in his impassive fights with the thugs and his desperate pursuit of the girl. He also rises splendidly to the sad satisfaction of the ending when, stripped of his mask, he is able to die after finding love. Caroline Humpston makes

Caroline Humpston makes much of the devastating honesty which surprisingly but convincingly. Flindt highlights as the clue to the girl's character. Her beautifully controlled line brings out the full point of the slow, half-crouching solos, and her equanimity when handled like a commodity by the thugs is impressive. The minor roles are well played especially by impressive. The minor roles are well played especially by Kevin Richmond as the most energetic thug and Trevor Wood as the roue.

Preben Hornung's unfussy costumes and stark setting, relieved by one blaze of red, prove as efficient, 14 years after the original Copenhagen production, as Flindt's choreo-graphy. It all works because it concentrates on the essence of the ballet. This Miraculous the ballet. This Miraculous Mandarin should be an asset to Festival Ballet beyond the pre-



John Percival Caroline Humpston and Ben Van Cauwenbergh in The Miraculous Mandarin

#### In performing symbolist works one ought surely to present the symbols ...

"Wholly dehumanized" . . . Nigel Terry as Don Juan

The stage (by Mr Gill's trap. This is the same device regular designer, Alison Chitty) that Andrzej Wajda employed consists of a bare timber plat-with the black-cowled scene

evening English National Opera have revived Gien Byam . Shaw's production of Duke Blue-

Don Juan

Cottesloe

**Irving Wardle** 

classic takes shape.

Following on from A month in

the Country and with some key members of his previous com-panies, Peter Gill directs another clean, unstanted pro-

duction from which an uncom-

promising view of a problem

In Monday's interview, John Fowles outlined some of the problems of translating Molière's Don Juan; but the

main riddle is that of the arche-

typal hero. As in every other version (except Byron's) Molière's Juan Fails to complete

a single seduction; but in his case there is the question of

whether sexual conquest is even the main theme; and whether the word libertin refers rather

to Juan the free thicker who only goes to hell after he joins

only goes to hell after the joins the hypocritical majority.

Ambiguity is inherent in the play's argument; but there is no ambiguity in the figure Juan himself cuts on the Cottesloe stage. As Nigel Terry plays him, he is an animated diagram of the in action; a man with

of lust in action: a man with one narrow obsession and limit-less resources for fulfilling it.

Mr Terry takes his cue from the fact that Juan uses language almost exclusively as a weapon. His performance is virile, facially immobile under its

heavy moustache, and wholly dehumanized.

In the one passage where Juan can show humanity, the translation rubs it out. Molière's

hero gives alms to a beggar "for love of bumanity": Mr

Fowles quietly slices out the

love.
This approach leaves the

in the first place fully intact:

as Juan's trick is to stand by, letting other people make fools of themselves, and the themselves up in moral knots. But it also clears the way for the unobstructed operation of fate.

it also fits the opera less than comfortably. In performing symbolist

Shaw's production of Duke Blue-beard's Castle rether than create something new. It is an understandable economy, since Bartok's one-actor is not likely to be in the repertory often, there being no obvious companion for more normal nights than this. However the nine-year-old production, with its Ralph Koltai reach into his head for nothing designs of mirrors and heptagonal abstraction, begins to look Elizabeth Connell as Judith has first door, for example, he al- clamation to song in vesting

For the operatic part of the something of a period piece, and to make salutations to the most stammers his question, empty air when she wants the slide show to change. Fortunately Mr Tomlinson

offers a profound and moving portrait of Bluebeard to draw attention away from these feeblenesses. Whether one thinks of him as bound by fate or going perpetually through the same circular myth, he is always aware that change is impossible, the thing must be done. When Judith opens the

fearful of the answer she will give, but fearful more that he will hear something different, will hear something different, that the inexorable cycle will be broken. He acts with deep knowledge and resignation, and he sings with the same grey pessimism, although not without much strength, flexibility and beauty in the line, especially when, with satisfaction at the arrival of the neces-

Juan's table than Juan is for the female population at large. The paradox of their parmer-

ship is that while Juan conveys an image of decisive speed, and Sganarelle one of bumbling ineptitude, in fact Mr Terry's is by far the more

measured performance, and Mr Pember an artist in lighming

reversals of attitude and physi

From a hasty check with the original. Mr Fowles's transla-

tion achieves its literary grace

ar some cost to textual accuracy.

"Everything's arranged for m loins to have their meat", hi

Juan remarks, where Molière's simply announces that he is off

on an "entreprise amoureuse".

There are sundry other fine
phrases in place of down-toearth original statements. How-

ever, their effect is never man nered; and in the sustained speeches of Michael Gough's Don Louis and Di Trevis's Elvira they take on a powerful

cal business.

Judith with her insignia as his

queen of the night.
Miss Connell is too girlish for Miss Conneil is for girlish for too much of the opera, though this is partly the fault of the conductor, Janos Furst, who makes her music bouncy and very fast. In the later stages she begins to show that, though naive, she is as aware as Bluebeard of the inevitability of what is going on, and Mr Furst what is going on, and Mr Furst too makes the close triumphant in hopelessness.

Paul Griffiths

## 'Figaro' revival

The 1981 Glyndebourne Festival, with tickets costing from £13 to £26.50, opens on May 27 with a revival of Peter Hall's production of Ls nozze di Figuro, with the conducting shared by Eliahu Inbal and Gustav Kuhn. There will be two casts, with Alberto Rinaldi and Knut Skram as Figaro, Norma Burrowes and Maria Fausta Gallamini as Susanna, Isobel Buchanan and Felicity Lott as the Countess, Richard Stilwell and Alan Titus as the Count and Faith Esham and Colette

conducting. In the cast are John Rawnsley as Figaro, Max-Rene Cosotti as the Count, Claudio Desderi as Bartolo and Maria Ewing and Zehava Gal sharing the role of Rosina.

de Ridder, Malcolm Donnelly and Curt Appelgren.

Simon Rattle will conduct the revival of Ariadne auf Naxos opening on July 8, with a cast including Maria Ewing, Gianna Rolandi, Helena Döse and Dennis Bailey. Dennis Bailey.

Delius's Fermimore and Gerda will have its American premiere as part of this year's season by the Opera Theatre of

## at Glyndebourne

Alliot-Lugaz as Cherubino.

A new production by John Cox of II barbiere di Siviglia opens on May 30, with Sylvain Cambreling and Elgar Howarth

Peter Hall's new production of A Midsummer Night's Dream starts on June 21, with Heana Cotrubas, James Bowman, Ryland Davies, Dale Duesing, Cynthia Buchan, Felicity Lott and Lieuwe Visser. The Dream will be conducted by Bernard Haitink, as will the revival of Fidelio which opens on July 16, with Josephone Barstow, Anton

Some of the reviews on this page are reprinted from yesterday's later editions.

## London debuts

which is cold-blooded

Endo's performance was in early "Lento con gran espressive, sione", had an enchanting verabsolutely clear, and with a lifeshness. luminous, shining tone; it boded well for the rest of the

notes and the virtuosity render a very incomplete needed to deliver them. Ikuko account. And a nocturne, the

form, backed with projection

screens for each location; but

the most important decor ele-ment is an unspeaking, grey-clad chorus who bover at the margins of the platform in

marked visual contrast to the vibrantly-clad principals. They

shift furniture, they come on as comic servants in a series of brilliantly inventive knock-

about scenes (such as the grand reception for Juan's creditor), and generally function as

Then, in the second half, they

Then, in the second half, they develop sinister added powers, changing into the statue's mausoleum, and disclosing the sepulchrally-voiced Robert Flemyng (echoes of Mr Gill's Riverside Julius Caesar) as the Commander.

It is thus the very furnishings of his house that finally

ings of his house that finally mutiny against Juan and drive him down the flaming grave

mobile scenery.

the Commander

Liszt's Sonata was less satboded well for the rest of the evening.

Sure enough, a large Chopin mazurka group was so full of

Akira Miyoshi's Sonata echoes the luxuriant textures of Ravel's Gaspard de la Nuit, of Szymanowski's Masques, of late Scriabio, but with the strongly differentiated personalities removed, so that nothing remains except the teeming notes and the virtuosity of the luxuriant textures of mention the exquisitely way. Miss Endo's was, in fact, a mance, also, confirming that courageous performance, also, confirming that courageous performance, also, confirming that morely to octaves, was finely realized. Miss Boldorini's technique has though sometimes dangerously she played only Book 2 of Out of Doors. "Night music" is an extraordinarily imaginative the work's difficult questions were being evaded. Indeed, its subtleties in Miss Endo's was, in fact, a mance, also, confirming that courageous performance, also, confirming that morely to octaves, was finely realized. Miss Boldorini's technique has great scope, but it was a pity dents, yet one never felt that of Doors. "Night music" is an extraordinarily imaginative feat of piano writing and Miss Endo's was, in fact, a mance, also, confirming that courageous performance, also, confirming that morely to octaves, was finely realized. The courageous performance, also, confirming that morely to octaves, was finely realized. The courageous performance, also, confirming that morely to octaves, was finely realized. The courageous performance, also, confirming that morely to octaves, was finely realized. The courageous performance, also, confirming that morely to octaves, was finely realized. The courageous performance, also, confirming that morely to octaves, was finely realized. The courageous performance, also, confirming that morely to octaves, was finely realized. The courageous performance, also, confirming that morely to octaves, was finely realized. The courageous performance, also, confirming that morely to octaves, was finely realized. The courageous performance, also, confirming that morely to octaves, was finely realized. The courageous performance, also, confirming t peatedly sounded, especially in the Andante sostenuto.

shifters in his production of

The Possessed; and it works no less thrillingly here than in

Its success derives partly

from the tension between

mounting violence on the stage edges, and the strict formalities in the central action. Here Mr Gill achieves his effects by the

precise placing of actors for combative duologues or major

tirades, and the severely rationed explosions of comic

Ron Pember's Sganarelle excels in these outbursts of

long-contained energy; working up into paroxysms of nonsense and moral outrage, and instantly collapsing like a pricked bubble. Unlike his master, he presents an all-too-human face a redentlike

human face; a rodent-like scavenger, baring his teeth in

an ingratiating snarl, no less hungry for his pickings from

that terrifying piece.

Raquel Boldorini started with a pair of well-contrasted Soler sonatas. These were done with remarkable animation, each melodic shape, harmonic puance and rhythmic pattern

mance, also confirming that Miss Boldorini's technique has great scope, but it was a pity she played only Book 2 of Out of Doors. "Night music" is an extraordinarily imaginative entirely idiomatic. In Falla's Boldorini managed to evoke Boldorini managed to evoke could have done with a wider and the state of pressure sprovince a welcome enough contrast. This is highly elaborated music, but highly acceptable from a virtuoso such as Miss Boldorini, whose performance was entirely idiomatic. In Falla's could have done with a wider could insect noises which fascinated Bartok so much. The suite's finale, "The chase", with its grim ostinatos and obsessive dissonances, suggests a night-mare rather than night music, and here a suitably claustrophobic impression was made.

After this Villa-Lobos's : Im:

pressoes Seresteires provided a dynamic spectrum; for example the intermezzo section ought to sound more remote. But on the whole this very demanding piece was played with buoyant attack, and there were some coruscating glis-

Max Harrison

#### Elijah Festival Hall

#### Hilary Finch

It was the drama in the story of Elijah that most passionately concerned Mendelssohn in his long discussions with an overearnest librettist; and there was tertainly no lack of enthusiastically projected dramatic incident in Tuesday's performance of his oratorio in which Brian Wright conducted the Goldsmiths' Choral Union and the Philharmonic Orchestra. Orchestra.

But it had the overall effect of a fussy stage production; too often musical and verbal details often musical and veroat details were over-insistently urged at the expense of the dramatic energy and shaping of the larger unit and of the whole.

Thomas Allen withdrew at the last minute from his role as last minute from his role as Elijah and was replaced by Michael Rippon who sang with an ease and immediacy that obviously came from knowing

#### Berlin Chamber Orchestra Queen Elizabeth Hall

#### Frank Dobbins

Although the divided city of Berlin may have lost some of its pre-war orchestral variety and splendour, the eastern sector can be justly proud of this finely balanced and welldisciplined chamber ensemble. Since Heinz Schuok took over from the late Helmut Koch as its Konzertmeister in 1975, the orchestra has achieved a con-siderable international reputation through its tours, broad-

casts and recordings.
While devoting considerable attention to baroque music, it has not pursued the "true path of authenticity" to the same extent as its younger western counterparts, cherishing instead the warmth of modern instru-ments and bowing techniques. Nevertbeless, its refined articulation and well - balanced cohesion ensures stylish but unmannered performance of the 18th Century repertoire.

an aptly Teutonic concession to English audiences, playing down the excitement of its Mannheim crescendos and playing up the sentimentality of its muted andante. If the "London" Bach owed much to his Milanese ex-perience, these German musicians clearly delight in the Italian Baroque masters who provided most of their

the part so well that he scarcely

needed to look at his score. But he lacked both the inter-

But he lacked both the inter-pretative authority and the con-sistent vocal support to avoid falling into mock heroiss. Martyn Hill was a forceful if ar times laboured Chadiak, and even hiercer, more unremi-tingly insistent was Ameral

Gunson, an unusually forth-right Angel; her increasingly

powerful and distinctive thirty mezzo was better suited to the role of the Queen in the second

half.
Linda Esther Gray, particu-

Linda Esther Gray, particularly moving as the widow (her my son reviveth" was redent enough for the last trump) was the only soloist fully to enter into the musical as well as the verbal dramp.

The orchestra, although the sometimes sluggish in meetitives, urged along the first sustained impetus sed permisinterchanges be sed permis-

interchanges brased permis-and a chorus which explanation

staying power we explanation to compensate for a life pianissing and generally apply

sense of line.

programme. While John Wilbraham did not quite match the string players' nearly turned cadential trills, he nevertheless displayed brilliant virtuosic skill in a concerto by Torelli, a hybrid five-movement arrangement arrangem ment with more variety in tex-ture, modulation and harmony than the usual Bolognese trumpet music.

A second concerto by the Venetian Albioni ultimately caused him some lip problems. In Tartin's rather predictable Concerto in D Minor, the leader/director Heinz Schunk revealed a sweet-toned lyricism which found an even more ap-18th Century repertoire. in Dvorak's String Serenade,
The orchestra's South Bank providing a richly satisfying concert began with J. C. Bach's conclusion to the concert.

#### Arts agenda

#### Transatlantic traffic

The vogue for taking a bunch includes one of his symphoof old songs and turning them nies, and Patrick Moore will into a musical owes much to give readings from the comthe demand for small-cast, low-budget productions; Britain's also raught music, but his success in exporting compilation shows suggests other coun- he apparently trained his sister tries also like economical packages of nostalgia. It is barder to explain why Britain can produce shows based on old American songs and then suc-ceed in selling them to America—Side by Side by Sondheim was a notable exam-

presented at the Kreeger Theatre in Washington this autumu, with another produc-tion planned for Los Angeles. tion planned for Los Angeles.

Cameron Mackintosh, the producer, says the show is more Trust is launching an open popular abroad than in competition to create a Britain: productions are run-memorial to the poet Hugh ning or planned in Australia, MacDiarmid. The Duke of BucSouth Africa, Hongkong, Irecleuch has donated a site land, Denmark, Israel and above Langholm, the Borders "Plagiarism does pay Canada.

dividends", he says.

A burely British effort opens, a little belatedly, in the opens, a little belatedly, in the United States this week: Cowardy Custard, compiled from songs and sketches of Noel Coward, was launched in 1972 but has only now been taken up by the Goodspeed Opera House in Connecticut, a theatre which specializes in musicals and often transfers shows to Broadway. Ned Shershows to Broadway. Ned Sher-rin is directing, with Millicent Martin and Jeremy Brett leading the cast. The show has been renamed Noci, perhaps to aid American comprehension, but it now sounds like some thing more suited Christmas.

■·A British production is at last being planned for Ligeti's comic opera Le Grande macabre, parts of which were performed in a concert version at the Festival Hall last night. After several years of discussion, English National Opera has decided to stage it in December next year.

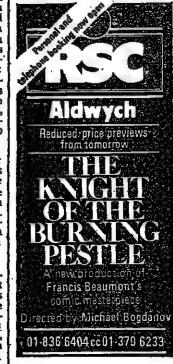
The producer will be Elijah Moshinsky, whose new Mac-beth is currently on show at Covent Garden. It will be his first ENO production, and he has also been booked for Mashas also been booked for Mas-tersingers there in 1984. He is not forsaking Covent Garden, but his immediate but his immediate task is a BBC Shakespeare production, A Midsummer Night's Dream, with Helen Mirren as Tytania.

A concert at the Royal Naval College, Greenwich, on April 25 celebrates both the discovery of the planet Uranus and the music of an almost forgotten composer. Sir Wil-liam Herschel who discovered liam Herschel, who discovered the seventh planet in 1781, started life as a Hanoverian bandsman; in England he developed as an organist and composer before his interest in harmony led him to math-ematics and then to astronomy. Peter Wishart will conduct the Herschel Chamber Orchestra, with Sarah Francis as soloist, in Herschel's Oboe Concerto. The programme also methods were somewhat odd: ful oratorio singer by making her sing the violin parts of concertos with a gag in her mouth.

Herbert von Karajan brings the Berlin Philharmonic Or-chestra to London next month, The latest to be scheduled symphony at the Festival Hall on May 27. Tickets cost up to frevue based on the satirical songs of the American academic Tom Lehrer. It will be reserved at the Kreeger with Pares Hall of Pares Hall o with Peter Hofmann, Kurt Moll and Jose Van Dam. The Moli and José Van Dam. The best seats there will be £45.

> town where MacDiarmid was born and is buried. The trust hopes to raise £7,500, which the Scottish Arts Council will

> > Martin Huckerby





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#### Bernard Levin.

## The privilege of having a drink in the House

Lord Avebury, who seems to be trying to establish himself as the nation's leading wowser (illiberal Liberals, alas, are no longer as exceptional as they once were), has been raising orie delegation of drunken it drunken, that is, not in to mapacity of fraternal delegations and congress of the mulhout sacrification. Party in the House of the House of good General up.

Human beings & the House of I've always been u want to make a may be generally

Assuming a censing laws the Houses and Peers, and Peers, eir guller's mical hours and I may for fire and I may of an for fire-

e to work up much inc. partly because . out this, 1 I was a political correspon int and spent much time in the House of Commons I found myself embraced by the rule as much as the legislators upon whose doings I was attending, and partly because I have always felt that if MPs, who make the laws, can't bend the said laws to their own advantage it's a pretty poor lookout for log-rolling self-interest, nepotism, corruption, hypocrisy and allied arts. After all, MPs have, in. recent years, fiddled the law to their own benefit in the matter of pensions and of their employment status, and the complete impunity which they have to say, in the course of parliamentary proceedings, any thing they like about anybody except, of course, each other however libelious and untrue, is long-standing and notorious: The jury, passing on the prisoner's life. May in the sworn twelve have

a thief or two Guiltier than him they try; what's open made to justice, That justice seizes,: what know the laws

That thieres do pass on thieres? No, my point today is a dif-ferent one, and it is one on which I have some sympathy with Lord Avebury's case, or at any rate one aspect of it. As I say, I used to spend much of

niggers in the woodpile are the public sector administrators—

where the left hand, as usual, does not know what the right hand is doing—and the execu-tors of the estate, the Midiand Bank Executor and Trustee

Company Ltd, with just a tinge

of colour rubbing off on the brightly scrubbed faces of Christle's, their professional

What is quite clear is that

there is now only one means of keeping the Tunniciiffe draw-

ings and sketch books intact as a group. That is for a firm cash

offer to be made to the execu-tors which can be clearly demonstrated to be more advan-

tageous to their clients than an auction sale. The National

auction sale. The National Museum of Wales has offered

to curate and display the draw-

impasse has been reached, it is

necessary to go back over the long history of muddles con-cerning the Tunnicliffe estate.

in 1969 the Midland Bank

To understand how

the table.

I have to say that I have seen MPs drunk not merely within the precincts of the Palace of Westminster, but in the Chamber

my working life in the House of Commons, and was very frequently in the Press Gallery at the end of a debate (which usually means 10 pm), And I have to say that at that time of night I have seen MPs drunk, not merely within the precincts of the Palace of Westminster, but in the Chamber itself, more times than Mr Anthony Wedg-wood Benn has had glasses of

itself?

But I do not put that forward as an accusation, I daressy that there are very few groups of 600-odd men and women who, at the end of a day of—among other things—much tension and controversy, do not contain one or two, and not necessarily the same one or two every time (though there have always been a few alcoholics in Parliament), who are the worse for drink, and in some cases audibly and visibly so. Certainly, the parliamentary journalists, at the end of the same debates, included some who were half-seas over; in this matter, nobody is holier than anybody else.

But in one crucial respect the MPs insist that they are holier than everybody. It is part of settled parliamentary law, established in a formal ruling by the Committee of Pri-vileges, that no one may say that MPs, either in general or in particular, and whether on a particular occasion or regularly, are drunk within the parliamen-

This almost literally incredible judgment arose after an MP was reported to the Committee of Privileges because, at a public meeting in his constiency, he had said that some MPs were drunk at the end of the day's proceedings. In that, as I have made clear, he was entirely correct. What is more every MP, without exception, knew that he was entirely correct, and every MP today knows the same thing. What is more still, every member of the Committee of Privileges which ruled on the complaint knew the same thing, and every member of the present Committee knows it, too. And yet suppose that, say, a visitor to the Public Gallery, or a journalist (whether in the parliamentary press corps or not), were to publish a state-ment to the effect that MPs did sometimes sit drunk in the Chamber, and that some MPs were so foolish and dishonest as to demand that the comment be referred to the Committee of Privileges, I think that the Speaker might have to consider himself bound to recommend that it be referred. And if it were, I wager that the Committee, drunken members as well as sober ones, would almost certainly make the same ruling, and perhaps even invite the offender to come to the Bar of the House (not the one

might even accede to the I imagine that some such absurd state of affairs was contemplated by Mr Arthur Lewis, who raised Lord Avebury's remarks with the Speaker on Tuesday, for Mr Lewis did not ask for the matter to be referred to the Committee of Privileges; he raised it only as a point of order, and did 50, moreover, in a fittingly lighthearted manner. Mr Speaker Thomas, a wise old bird as well as a recommittee took event care. as a teetotaller, took great care to avoid walking into the trap; he passed the matter off as casually as had Mr Lewis. But

suppose some pompous ass (there are some of those in the

where they get drunk) and apologize; and I wouldn't be surprised if, thus invited, a particularly timid offender



House of Commons, I can tell you, and a good many more there are boozers) had raised it as a matter of privilege: I fear that the House might well have made a collec-tive fool of itself.

mental principles of the law of libel that proof of the truth of the words complained of is an absolute defence to an action. The adage "The greater the truth the greater the libel" is a myth, probably based on the fact that if a defendant in a libel action insists that the words are indeed true and then loses the action, the damages will inevitably be higher than they would otherwise have been.

[That was an issue, of course, the Spectator's drunk-in-Venice action, about whichhaving said my say in some detail—I have only two matters to add. First, I must draw attention to the curious silence of Mr Michael Foot. Foot, in loudly and indignantly defending Bevan, a few years ago, from the charge of having committed perjury, said that he had consulted the relevant passages in the then unpublished Crossman Diary. Only when the Diary was published did we

biguously that Morgan Phillips had certainly committed perjury and had certainly been drunk. How did Mr Foot come to suppress this very relevant information, and why—the matter having been raised again, by me among others, recently—has he not explained? The other matter is the even

more curious unsilence of Lord rambling letter to this paper in rambling letter to this paper in reply to my column on the Bevan-Crossman-Phillips libel action. (The quality of the letter may be judged from the fact that, although I had made an absolutely specific allegation of disgraceful conduct in court on the part of Gilbert Beyfus, Q.C., the leading counsel instructed for the plaintiffs by Lord Goodman, and although Lord Goodman, and although Lord Goodman in his letter came most gallantly to Beyfus's general defence, and although obviously he had not himself been in any way a party to the conduct in question, he did not so much as mention it in pass-ing, let alone attempt either a denial or a justification of it).

In the letter, he referred to the "implications" in what I had written, deemed it possible that I had not understood them, claimed that he had now explained them plained them to me (a rather

unconvincing claim, though - see, inter alia, my comments

Lord Avebury : a sober view from the other place

in the matter of Beyfus, above) and added that if I were to repeat them he would not be content merely to write a letter

I must confess that when I read those words, clearly threatening me with an action for libel, I was seized with a terrible for that I might have terrible fear that I might have written something with an unintended but defamatory ambiguity in it, or even that a misprint had crept in to alter sense, since otherwise I was at a loss to understand what Lord Goodman was talk-ing about. On checking very carefully what I had written, I found no such ambiguity or misprint, and remained at a loss; I still do. I had made no criticism of Lord Goodman's professional or personal conduct in the "Venice" action (nor, incidentally, has anybody else, as far as I know), and indeed wrote only a few words on him. It is hardly for me to give legal advice to the most famous solicitor of our time, but I cannot help remarking that, in the circumstances, he would probably have emerged from the controversy more — well, more carefree, at least, if his threat had been left un-

The point I am making (I am sorry about the length of my digression, but I am sure you understand that matters could not have been left where Lord Goodman's threat left them) is that MPs do not claim, as they well might, that anyone accusing one of them of being accusing one of them of being drunk in the course of his Parliamentary duties should run the risk of being charged with a breach of privilege as well as of being sued for libel; they insist that no one may accuse any of them of ever being drunk in Parliament even if the charge is, and can be proved to be, true. And this seems to me to be taking Parliamentary me to be taking Parliamentary me to be taking Parliamentary privilege too far. Only a fool would claim that MPs were more drunken than other people; but only a bigger fool would say that they are less so, and only an MP would insist that no MP ever is, or even can be, drunk in Parliament. On further reflection, I rather hope some MP does ask for Lord Avebury's remarks to be Lord Avebury's remarks to be referred to the Committee of Privileges; it would give that body the opportunity to reverse ing, and apologize for the fact that it was even made.

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xecutors, now refuses to dis-

cuss the matter with the press -except to say that the in lieu

makes a firm offer to the executors; the bank would

then be required to consider

whether the offer was more advantageous to their clients than the likely outturn of Christle's sale.

Enough figures are now

should be looked at—it does the

nation and the heritage a lot of

sidered and rejected.

Ronald Butt

## Don't despise a strategy

Last week, I discussed the case nize that nationalized indus for an inner cabinet group asking for money for a particular with the business of tally profitable investment charged with the business of formulating a coherent gramme had a case. formulating a coherent This, of course, is preeconomic strategy for national This, of course, is prerecovery—a group which would the sort of distinction of revive the old unworkable which an industrial strategy of the concerned and coherent idea of a "policy Cabiner" of non-departmental ministers but which should consist of ministers each with a solid base in a department directly involved with the making and executing of economic policy.

Who, then, should they be? The composition of such an "inner cabinet" is best approached by considering the functions it ought to undertake. We can start by disposing of any idea that the designation by the Prime Minister of an inner "economic cabinet" would be a U-turn away from the policy of stricter financial control over public spending and borrowing towards some new version of Keynesianism. There is no reason at all why

devising a strategy to embrace the wide area of government activities which inevitably affect the economy should be interpreted as a portent of potentially increased deficit financing in a new chase after expansion. Nor is there any logical reason why a government with the principles of Mrs Thatcher's should think itself prohibited from looking further than the control of the economy by a monetarist lever operating exclusively on totals of public spending, borrowing

and on interest rates.
What, then, should the strategy for national recovery embrace? The harshness of recession has already created in many parts of industry the basis for a genuine recovery by forc-ing businesses to modernize their production, cut costs and over-manning, dispose of func-tions that are non-profit-making and seek new markets.

To build on what has been achieved, therefore, an economic strategy ought to start with an attempt to disinguish more effectively between capital spending in the public sector (which has a direct effect on industrial activity in the private sector) and current spending—encouraging the former, but without increasing the total. It is not always an easy distinction to make in practice, but in broad terms it must mean that spending on building and main-tenance, for instance, is to be encouraged, and that the overwhelming component of current spending, wages and salaries, needs continued restraint. Indeed, I find sympathy

and private treaty sale possi-bilities have been fully conemong some of the Government's advisers for the idea that the real division to be That is the bank's position and likely to remain so. If challenged as to whether the made in terms of an economic strategy is between non-wage bill items and wage bill items, executors are acting in the best with strict control continuing interests of the estate, they can over wages. This, of course, in no way implies a return to the produce the correspondence with Christie's to demonstrate old sorts of incomes policies. What it means is a cash limit that the matter has been fully investigated. which allows for an overall All this points inexorably to the conclusion that I put for-ward at the beginning of this level of wage increases aggregating no more than, say, 6 per cent, in order to allow for ment spending on industrial alter the situation between now and May 15, unless the public investment. sector pulls its socks up and

To attempt distinctions this sort within public spending totals is no retreat from the cash limits principle which Sir Geoffrey Howe rightly took farther in his Budget. Within any cash limits, for a govern-ment as for a family, there always remain questions about whether it pays better in economic terms to spend on this or

strategy. The basis of this, he rightly

estimates of the probable value of the sale lia between Then there is the use of £280,000 and £420,000. The public money (for rescue opera-tions) in the private sector and minimum figure for capital transfer tax on the estate, according to Commander W. Braddock, one of the nephews, is around £229,000. But the estate duty office is not prein nationalized industries, and the attraction of private money to the public sector. Last week, Sir Keith Joseph, the epostle of non-intervention who has been driven to apply public money in industrial rescue pared to finalize the figure until the results of the auction money in industrial rescue operations far more extensively or a sale of some sort is known than he wished, acknowledged "The tax man is a very hard for the first time that the man", commented Commander Government had an industrial Braddock. "I think this aspect

harm. I cannot speak for everyone, but my side of the rates than in the application of family would like to see collection kept together." public money to slim down nationalized industries to help them become competitive, or to Geraldine Norman help, say, ICL over a hump. Saleroom Correspondent Even so, he seemed to recoggramme had a case.

This, of course, is prewhich an industrial strai would be concerned, and decisions would be assiste they were not left to the in when an emergency had alr occurred. Would the Go ment have got into suc potentially dangerous mess the miners if it had had economic cabiner oversa

the development of policy In addition, an econ strategy would be conce with the involvement of ate money in public entern How far, for instance, is a distinction with meaning ween raising private mone specified public enter (British Telecom, for inst or British North Sea Oil) raising it through the no gilt-edged market—unless

is an equity element invol.
A strategy for econ recovery, however, should wider than distinctions bet different sorts of govern spending and of aid for a industries. It outbut to be industries. It ought to take account such questions employment—which inci the structure of unemploy benefit—labour mobility (v legislation) and of course reform of trade union le tion. If the Government win the support of ord. working people, it ought much more than it ha encourage industrial parti-tion, as is appropriate to a non-socialist state, as it t in West Germany—a ca have argued here before. These objectives are n

sarily generalized, and the job of an inner economic inet would be to define more precisely. But the boutlines sketched here are haps enough to suggest the composition of such inner Economic Cabinet sh It would, of course, be distinct from the present (economic strategy) comm

Its members, under the P Minister's chairmanship, c be the Chancellor, Sir Geo Howe, the Chief Secretary Leon Brittan, and the mini in charge of industry (Sir I Joseph). employment James Prior), trade (Mr Biffen), energy (Mr I Howell) and environment including local environment. including local government Heseltine) - sil of whom involved departmentally in problems of national recor Spending ministers could at the committee for special poses, but their regular papation could reduce proceedings to an extension the usual arguments a spending, as well as ma the inner economic cabine

The inner economic cal special advisers seconded the purpose (the think could have a role) rather by their normal departme officials fighting departme battles. The basic object of exercise would be to take n sters out of their departm in which, in office, they I to lose sight of the oveobjectives and the strat thinking of opposition. inner group would provid setting in which they could ... together about the future stead of being only domins. by the emergencies of moment and the special in ests of departments which much the same under any ernment. The results of the

deliberations would placed before the full Cabi This is a government of m virtues—free of the backbil and plotting which disfigu the Callaghan and Wilson ad nistration and given to a gradeal of plain and open specing. The defect of these tues is that, as a group highly individual people, lacks a willingness to conc

It is a strong governmeobserved, was more in bringing down both inflation and interest recovery. but recovery but recovery to be guided and promoted 200 those areas where the Gove and ment is inevitably involved. It is government needs a strate for economic recovery now.

## The muddle over those marvellous birds





Two of the birds that Tunnicliffe left behind: woodcock (left) and raven.

helped Charles Tunnicliff to draw up his will; the witnesses were a bank manager and Mr J. G. Roberts of the Bangor trustee office, who is now handling the executorship on behalf of the bank.

Whether or not it was pointed our by the witnesses to Mr Tunnicliffe that the third clause of the will constituted a half secret trust which would fail were he not to give oral or written instructions to his sister, Mrs Dorothy Downes is unknown. In this clause he leaves his works of art, studies and sketch books to his sister "to be disposed of by her according to my wishes and instructions ".

ings. But it has no money. For this clause to hold water under probate law, it was necessary for Mr Tunnicliffe to instruct his sister at the time of, or before, the signing of the will. This, according to Mrs Downes's solicitor, he failed to

When Charles Tunnicliffe

died in February, 1979, the Mid- two land Bank as executors had to determine how the will should be interpreted. They took coursel's opinion, the chief point at issue being whether, in the light of clause three failing, the art works passed to own view as to the best in-Mrs Downes under the follow- terests of the group. ing clause—which bequeathed her "the remainder of my fur-niture and household goods and ornament"—or, along with the residue of the estate, to his

nine nepitews and nieces. Counsel's opinion came down in favour of the residual beneficiaries. In order that no subsequent dispute should arise over the interpretation of the will, a Deed of Family Arrange-ment was drawn up iremizing what had been agreed, which was signed by all parties.

This leaves the Midland Bank

Tunnicliffe's nephews have pointed out to me, the executors can and do seek the opinions and advice of the beneficiaries but there is no requirement for them to act on it. They must take their

It was thus natural for the bank to turn to Christie's for professional advice on how the art works could be disposed of most advantageously. This they did some 18 months ugo and, according to a Christie's snokes-man, the auctioneers sent them several long letters setting out the comparative advantages of an auction, a private treaty sale and the ceding of art works in lieu of tax. In the light of this information the executors decided on an auction.

The main argument for such as executors with the legal re- a decision lies in the difficulty sponsibility to administer the of valuing the collection. The residual estate in the best in "in lieu" and private treaty terests of the beneficiaries. As sale to the nation procedures

ere designed to ensure that the donor/seller receives more for his goods than if he sold them in the private sector at the agreed valuation. The difficulty agreed valuation, the districting always lies in agreeing such a valuation; the Revenue will generally argue for a low figure—the results of an auction. tion are often likely to be much higher.

Since Tunnicliffe's measured drawings and sketch books had never previously been on the market, there was no sensible basis for a computation.

Lust autumn the National Museum of Wales approached the executors concerning an in lieu or private treaty sale, pointing out the advantages. They have never received a formal answer. The executors apparently considered that this avenue had been sufficiently explored, and that the balance of the professional advice had come down against it.

Mr Roberts, on behalf of the

## LONDON DIARY

#### How Steel missed out on party time

If you think you hear the cultured Scots tones of David Steel, the Liberal leader, on the radio more often than usual than a mere trick of your imagi-nation. A confidential report which has fluttered down from the highest windows of Broadcasting House reveals that last year the Liberals had a great deal less than their fair share

At one of the regular meet-igs Sir Ian Trethowan the EC director-general, holds with his heads of news and current affairs, concern was voiced that during 1980 the Liberals had fared badly in the tally of political interviews kept by the EEC to ensure some measure of balance between

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" In television", says the con-Group, which monitors broad- tally for the Gang of Four?

casting, "the tally was getting back into balance following the flurry of Labour appearances arising out of the leadership issue. However, in radio the figures significantly favoured Labour, and the Liberals were a long way from being in balance."

It was noted by Sir lan's chief assistant "that the percentage figure from afternoon current affairs programmes in radio for appearances was 0.3 per cent.". Based on their size in the Commons, they should have had 8 per cent of the appearances. Between September and the end of the year, those programmes did 259 political interviews, of which only one was with a Liberal. Strictly speaking, they should have had 21 appearances.

I understand that since the arrival on the scene of the Social Democrats and the sofar entirely theoretical postulation of an alliance with the Steel men, the Liberal position in the tally has improved fidential minute obtained by markedly. But what, I wonder, the Glasgow University Media do the BBC regard as a fair

Whatever it is, it must have been wildly exceeded in recent

#### Not so sweet

After the ravages of Dutch elm. prepare for the scourge of honey fungus. This latest arboreal killer disease, which is to trees what cirrnosis of the liver or some such popular modern malady is to humans, is threatening to destroy one of the country's finest avenues of giant redwoods.

Already one tree has been felled and its roots destroyed. in an altempt to stop the spread of the deadly fungus to the other 102 buge redwoods which line. Wellingtonia Avenue at Finchampstead, near Wokingham, Berkshire. I regard the trees aimost as sick relatives, for they were planted in 1863 in memory of the Duke of Wellington by John Walter, the then proprietor of The Times. Honey fungus spores are arried by the wind; they attack the roots and can kill a tree within a year. Forestry



" What do you mean, ' had enough'? I'm as sober as an MP!"

firmed the presence of the disease, and local residents fear that eight more redwoods have caught the fatal bug. The trees Commission experts have are still growing: so far they visited the avenue and con- have reached too majestic are still growing: so far they

height of about 110 feet, and have a long way to grow to reach the 250 feet or more of the best Californian specimens, One theory circulating in the

village is that the disease is all the fault of North Sea gas, as there have been a number of leaks from underground mains close to the trees. Residents are divided on what to do about it; some want start an appeal to save the trees, but others would prefer a collection for a wedding neesent for Prince Charles and Lady Diana. The real fear, however, is

that the presence of the disease could give property developers preservation orders on the redsoods, and chop them down.

#### Go for broke

Some enterprising manufacturer ought to bring out a British version of an appealing new board game which has appeared in America, and which stands that old capitalist parlour standby. Monopoly, on its bead.

Instead of collecting \$200

when you pass "Go", you pay 5200 in taxes. Instead of trying to get rich by having four houses on Park Lanc, the idea is to go broke so that you can welfare, or what we

would call social security. Players shake the dice in a "pork barrel", and advance their tokens round a Pentagonshaped board. Each square States government agency and its annual budget. If you land on the Environmental Protection Agency, for example, you have to pay a tax of \$50. Here is the kind of thing that

might betall a player; the Law Enforcement Administration spends \$2m to design a police Administration patrol car that no municipal government could afford. Pay your share of the project: \$20. Or the National Science Founda-

The game is called SOB (for "Save our bureaucrats") and 20,000 sets have been made for sale at \$15 each

But the last laugh must be on its inventors, Gary Tallman and Wayne Shanahan, They launched the game with a loan \$85,000 from yet another United States government agency well staffed with bureauthe Small Eusiness Administration.

#### Fire escape

The proverbial luck of the Irish is holding up well. Hundreds of motorists in the Republic who were in danger of losing licences because brushes with the law during the season of festive inchriation can breathe easily again,

Late last year a fire at the laboratory which analyses samples taken from drivers suspected of drinking and driving wrecked the vital facilities, and tion spends \$46,100 studying as a result no tests have been whether sex, humour and empathy would deter drivers from honking their horns in traffic jams. Pay your share: tions of people whose samples were handed over to the Dublin Medical Bureau of Road Safety between October 23 and Feb-

ers who were breathalysed dt ing the traditional Christm clampdown on drunk driving But the story does not et there, and is likely to become political issue, James O'Keer and the opposition Fine Gael justic spokesman, intends to questin Gerry Collins, the justice milister, in the Dail the lris parliament) on why he did at take immediate steps to del with the lack of specimen res ing facilities after the fire. Irish readers should tak note that the period of grac

Among the lucky escape

are about 1,000 mobile carot

is over: the laboratory is back in business. A press notice from the Depert ment of Transport tells me that the Secretary of State, Normal Fowler, has significantly reduced the mental state.

duced the number of circular his department sends out to local authorities. Such waste cutting is most commendable. out did they really need to send us four copies of the notice?

Alan Hamilton

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## TIME FOR STRONG NERVES

Most strikes seek to make their effect in two ways; upon the pocket and upon the nerves. In the redious middle stretches of a major dispute, while the strain on the pocket is or is not begin-ning to make itself felt, the play on the nerves holds the centre of of attention, and can sway the outcome. That is the stage that the Civil Service dispute has reached, after just over four weeks. The subtlety of this phase is especially great in a dispute where the direct effects of the action are more or less invisible to the public, except through the claims and counter-claims made by both sides. It is a time for steady nerves.

In making much of the effects of their action on defence establishments in the last few days, the unions may have made the kind of impatient error that is temptingly easy at this stage. It is unlikely that their action at military communications centres and naval yards has posed any real threat to allied defences, but that is no thanks to them. The reporting of comments reminiscent of parody like: "We accept that this is putting the deterrent at risk, but this is a matter for the Government" (Mr William Wright, Institution of Professional Civil Servants) an scarcely create public sympathy, and must make the many ivil servants who are uncertain about the strike wonder whether heir leaders have lost all sense of proportion.

decided at the outset to let the dispute develop quietly for the time being. Little use has yet been made of the legitimate weapon of suspensions. But there have been recent hints of impatience among some ministers to be visibly taking an initiative in some way. Yesterday's united call for stronger Government action from the Confederation of British Industry and the Chambers of Commerce indicates a growing irritation at the spectacle of strike action by a group expected to have a sense of pub-lic responsibility, which already enjoys exceptional privileges in respect of job security and indexlinked pension rights. Public resentment is widespread and justified, and it is likely to increase. But it remains vital that the Government should not take any initiative which threatens its economic strategy or rebuffs the support it has among the public, and among

civil servants themselves. The point that cannot be retreated from is the commitment to maintain the cash limits. A per cent offer to a group whose pay has risen 50 per cent in two years is neither hardship nor injustice at a time of economic crisis. Nor is the emergency going to end quickly: Sir Geoffrey Howe has already indicated that 6 per cent cash limits will apply next year too. Any new proposals must take these imperatives into account. It will be a betrayal of many sacrifices if some form of words

is found which, in the end, yields more money,

The only ground for negotiation is on the procedures for settling civil service pay, and it is dangerous ground. It is understandable that the abandonment of the former pay research system has increased resentment and, with it, the level of guerrilla warfare. Some form of independent assessment may be in-evitable. But the old concept of comparability has been shown to be against the public interest. It has tended to hasten inflation and increase unfairness between the public and the private sector, especially when no account has been taken of time lags which have produced larger increases for civil servants when other workers are settling for lower rates. Most importantly, the old system of comparability was distorted by failing to weigh properly the immeasureable value of job security and indexlinked pensions.

Market forces, as reflected by the number and quality of re-cruits, should have a greater influence in future. The only scope for negotiation, as we have argued, is an arrangement under which the pay and privileges of civil servants are protected in return for a guarantee not to strike. It is the unions who should take the initiative here, not the Government. It has been abused and damaged enough and, however uncomfortable the prospects, would be imprudent to start the overtures.

#### WELCOME COMPETITION IN BANKING

The Hongkong and Shanghai lank is one of the great instituions of British commercial and plonial history. In its present sanifestation it is one of the rear banking empires of the nodern commercial world. Based a Hongkong, it is in most senses till a very British enterprise. Its id for the Royal Bank of Scot · ud, however, poses potentially ifficult questions for the British

The Government, evidently

ithorities. It has intervened in order to pset the agreed merger between ie Royal Bank and another ujor British overseas banking ... \_roup, Standard Charrered Bank. : bas proposed a price which aggests strongly that in the inrests of existing Royal Bank pareholders the bid should be ccepted. The attraction for the longkong Shangbai (as for tandard Chartered) is that it uts the bank into the highly scrative British domestic bankig business, at present minated by the big four clear-

ng banks. The question inevitably arises hether or not this bid should referred to the Monopolies mmission. In the case of the andard Chartered deal, a cision about referring had not

under study by the Office of Fair Trading. The Bank of England, however, had made it clear that for its part it saw no objection to the deal. With the Hongkong Shanghai bid, on the contrary, the clear impression is that the Bank of England has severe reservations and would on balance be in favour of a reference.

The Office of Fair Trading, the Department of Trade, the Bank of England and in the end Mr Biffen, the Secretary of State for Trade, can either take a narrow or a broad view of the issues involved. If they take a narrow view, looking simply at the merits of the potential take-over of the Royal Bank by the Hongkong Shanghai, there can be no grounds for making a reference.

The point is made that the Hongkong Shanghai is not a British-based bank. But it ill becomes the authorities responsible for an international banking centre like London to make such a point All major British banks have been engaged for years in the process of expansion into other banking systems. The British clearing banks, which have been at the front of this trend can now hardly object to en taken and the issue was an outside bank carrying the

counter-attack in their dixection. The arrival of the Hongkong and Shanghai bank on the British domestic banking scene can only increase rather than decrease competition and service to the customer. In this narrow context, therefore, there is no real ground for a reference.

It is, however, possible to advance the argument that the time is ripe for a more general look at the structure of British banking, as we go into the rapidly changing context of the 1980s. During the 1960s and 1970s there took place what some have come to regard, as an excessive concentration of the main domestic banking business in the United Kingdom, unril it was effectively dominated by the present big four banks. With the growth of international banking and the abolition of exchange controls, the climate of the 1980s In the context of the Hongkong Shanghai bid for the Royal Bank, it was possible to devise terms of reference which allowed the Monopolies Commission to consider and report on the wider issues of concentration in the British banking scene, there might be some purpose in a reference. Otherwise there is none.

#### UBLIC CONFIDENCE AND POLICE ASSAULT

suggested that the supervisory

role should be played by the Director of Public Prosecutions,

wearing a new bat, or by the

Chairman of the Police Com-

plaints Board. The curious aspect

of the working party which

opposed the recommendation was

that its chairman. Lord Plowden.

was also the chairman of the

Police Complaints Board which

had put it forward. The majority

of the committee was made up of

representatives of police organi-

zations. It is not surprising that

its conclusion was received with

some embarrassment by the

would be administratively diffi-

cult to set up a separate system

merely to deal with serious com-

plaints, that it would be costly,

and that it would not be easy to

recruit policemen of sufficient

calibre to serve on the investiga-

ting team, because most of them

would find it distasteful to per-

form such work. That last objec-

tion seems not to have applied

in the case of the Metropolitan

Police, which has had no diffi-

culty in recruiting officers for its

complaints branch (although

their enthusiasm for the chase,

previously well-regarded, has

now, of course, been put in

The first two objections, how-

ever, may have force, though less

than the police believe. But if it

is not considered desirable to set

The police claimed that it

Home Office.

doubt).

te vast majority of complaints ainst the police are treated th scrupulous care: and citias have reason to be grateful policemen in an age of increasviolence. But there is a pority of complaints against police which gives cause for quiet, and it is in complaints ere the police themselves are jused of violence. The report, yet unpublished, of the Home lice Research Unit, makes out sufficient case that investigaas of allegations by members the public that they have been saulted by the police are too quently handled without the ree of commitment that the blic has a right to expect and, some cases, are dealt with sligently, and deliberately so. is now no longer enough for police merely to assert, as David McNee did yesterday, it all such complaints are teticulously investigated ".

The Research Unit supports, general, the proposal of the ennial review of the Police mplaints Board, that there huld be a specialist investigatteam to look into complaints ging assault by the police ich resulted in serious injury. d that this team should be swerable to a non-police superor, a senior lawyer for prefer-Last month a Home Office rking party rejected the prosal for a separate unit and

scal policy and output

m. Professor P. T. Bauer, FBA

Professor Amortya Sen writes pril 7) that there is "immediate

d for a less deflationary policy

to change the enormous restric-

Pressure now exerted through

netary and fiscal policy on real

t does not help his argument (in

course of which he refers to the

Portance of empirical evidence)
the same issue of The Times

orts that retail sales in February

e higher than in any month of

0, i.e. at near record levels. Last

urday's issue (April 4) reported

during 1980 personal income

ore tax rose by 18 per cent, but

er allowing for inflation personal

posable income rose by only 2

cent, hardly evidence of a de-

ionary policy. Moreover, it is also

tinent that the underlying rise

Jany economists would dispute

t current policy is unnecessarily lationary. The effects and impli-

ions of financial policy cannot

thle figures.

output prices has reverted to

put and employment

he assessed simply on the basis of statistics of aggregate output and recorded unemployment. It is necessary to look more closely at what is happening in the real economy, notably at the implications of the rigidities which exist, particularly in the labour and housing markets.

In February and March, 1947, coal supplies ran out, and output and employment collapsed. Would this have justified financial expansion? Memory of that crisis is at least as illuminating as Professor Napoleon's en's reference to Russian campaign of 1812. Yours faithfully,

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#### Chantrey treasures

From Mrs Hilary Bagshauce Sir, On Tuesday (April 7) we celebrated here in Norton the birth two hundred years ago of the village's

up a completely new scheme (and a decision on that shouldnot treat the working party's conclusion with too respect), there is still a great deal. that can be done to strengthen the procedures within the Police Complaints Board itself.

It is implicit in the Research Unit's report that the part-time members of the board, by failing to spot some of the shortcomings in the police investigation, have not exhibited the sharpness of mind that their positions as independent watchdogs on hehalf of the public require. For that matter, the staff of the Director of Public Prosecutions have not covered themselves with glory. Most, if not all, of the complaints question must have come before his department, and the result does not show great efficiency on the part of those whose task it was to sift the

What is required now is for the Police Complaints Board to be given sufficient experienced staff to be able to look carefully at every file in which an allegation of serious assault is made and, if necessary, to send it back to the Chief Constable or Metropolitan Police Commissioner with a note of reservation about the standard of investigation. It would still leave the investigation of complaints in police hands, as it should be, but would yield greater independent scrutiny.

most famous son, Sir Franci

Chantrey.
I am writing as a member of family that had close concessions with Chantrey (among others things his father was our estate carpenter and he was educated in the village school which was financed by the

In Mr Alan Bowness's letter t The Times (April 2) it was under stood that there are so many pictures bought by the money left by the sculptor, that they cannot all be

Would it not be a nice gesture for the trustees of the bequest to lend on permanent loan, a certain number of pictures to the Mappin art gallery in Sheffield (which is an excellent modern well-run gallery) for the benefit of the citizens of Sheffield? I am sure it would have pleased him enormously that Sheffield benefit from his bequest in this bi-centenary year. remain. Sir, Yours sincerely.

HILARY BAGSHAWE,

Oakes-in-Norton-

#### LETTERS TO THE EDITOR

#### Justice and racial harmony

From Miss Rosalind King Sir, I was alarmed to see that cases against those charged in a nexion with the Bristol riots h been dropped "in the interest racial harmony".

If all races are to be accepted equal within a society, then must all be seen to be trel equally by that society and to f the same responsibilities to ? To drop this case not only to the cause of racial harmony be

that of British justice, a work precedent in itself, but also is it to inflame rather than quell ial prejudice. Yours faithfully, ROSALIND KING, 38 Marlings Park Avenue,

Prom Mr Indra Kulatilake

Chisiehurst,

Sir, Allow me your columns con-gratulate the Chief Conste of Avon and Somerset, M Brian Weigh, who advised the Ditor of Public Prosecutions not to der a retrial of the remaining fourtendants in the Bristol riot win the interest of good race relans. If Sir David McXte preved with similar foresight in the nuthall riot cases the relations begon the

Southall community and a police might not be what they a loday. The decision of the ttorney the decision of the attorney General, the first positive commitment to a multipacial sacer demonstrated by anyone in subject, will undoubtedly attenuate the conviction of us the silent miority of woluntary workers in the cause of better race relation that all is not

Yours faithfully. INDRA KULATILAE, dairperson, Southall Rights, 54 High Street, Middlesex April 7.

#### Human rights in Romania From Mr Horia Cerrson and Mr Ion Ratiu

Sir, The forthcoming /it to Britain (April 13-15) of the Nominian Prime Minister, Mr Ili. Fredt, compels us to write about the continued violation of the binan rights clauses of the 1947 bege treaty with Romania and the Hisinki Final Act, as well as other incruational agreements. Britain is signatory of the first two. first two.

Under the circustances we very much hope that his grave matter-will be taken upoith Mr Verdet by British ministers numbers of Parlia-ment and any ganization or per-sons connected with the visit or concerned with uman rights. The most flagrant emples of persecution of political religious and other dissidents are quoted in recent Amnesty Interntional reports: they contain cases I torture, beatings, unlawful arres, abuses of psychiatric treatment

The officialtrade unions, simple conveyor bein of Communist Party orders, are best useless, as in Poland. The Free Trade Union of Romanian: Workers" (SLOMR), founded in 1979 in a desperate attempt to improve conditions, was brutally supressed.

We belie that the Romanian people wait closer economic and cultural les with Britain. But Britain, if her own enlightened interest, should insist on some improvement of working conditions in Rommie—at least in joint enterprises—sch as the reduction of the long working week the elimination of voluntary. work, better safety measure and an increase in real

token of concern for the people of Romania, we suggest that every opportunity be taken to impress upon Mr Verdet (who is also fresident Ceausescu's trusted brother in-law) the need for a relaxa-tion of the brutal policy of repres-sion of dissidents and for the free movement of persons and ideas in and out of Romania.

Yers faithfully, HORIA GEORGESCU, PERATIU. ridsh-Romanian Association, \$1-62 Regent Street, WL.

#### sinai manuscripts rom Professor A. A. M. Bryer

sir, Dr J. K. Elliott's plea in The limes today (April 4) that the nanuscripts discovered in the monastry of St Catherine on Mount Sinai in 1975 be made available to scholars is fully supported by the British National Committee of the Association Internationale des Endes Byzantines (AIEB) which, since March, 1979, has reiterated its "strong and wide concern that the Greek authorities provide information, publish check lists, and allow access to the inaterial as soon as possible." possible ... We understand that our concern is shared by the two Greek scholars who first examined the finds and

reported on their outstanding importance. ours faithfully, ANTRONY BRYER (Secretary, AIEB, British, National Committee),
Centre for Byzantine Studies,
University of Birmingham,

#### Art at a price

From Mr Coleman Morrison Sir, Although the Dali painting is the most expensive work by a living artist sold at auction (for £360,000) a work by Jasper Johns was pur-chased by the Whimey Museum in New York in September 1980 for \$1m (£450,000) a record purchase price for a work by a living artist.
The painting was bought from Mr
and Mrs Burton Tremaine who originally purchased it in the early 1950s from a New York gallery for \$900, plus \$15 delivery charge. Sincerely, COLEMAN MORRISON, 48 Cadogan Place, SW1,

#### Contribution of national service

Sir, Sir Hugh Praser's article (April 8) on "The acceptable new face of national service" is as courageous as it is creative.

From Dr Alec Dickson

As a member of a working party that is considering how some such aproach as Sir Hugh advocates might actually be implemented, may might actually be implemented, may I make several points?

(a) Over the last twenty years there has been a steady swing of the pendulum in the way in which service is viewed, from when it was the bright-eyed, highly-talented, sixthform-leaver, probably Victor Ludorum and/or school captain, and

with an Oxbridge place already secured, who leapt at opportunities of service particularly those offered

But today a Court can sentence you to so many bours of community service as an alternative to imprisonment: if already in a Borstal, you may be released for the last month or so of your sentence to become a Community Service Volunteer: if you are in the bottom stream of a comprehensive school, there is the possibility that service in the local neighbourhood may be timetabled in your syllabus that the more gifted, staying on for GCE and with university aspirations, will probably be exempted); if you are an unemployed school-leaver and conunemployed school-leaver and con-sidered inadequate even for a MSC-funded Work Experience on Employers Premises scheme, then you might find yourself channelled to a Springboard programme con-cerned to help those in need.

In short, service is no longer the prerogative of young mandarins -but the last resort of coolies. Thus the Two Nations division of which Disraeli wrote over a century ago is being reinforced.

(b) The major contribution that the Defence Forces could make may no lie in their accepting cohorts of unemployed school-leavers into the ranks for a brief period—but in releasing experienced NCOs (and/or young officers) in a training capacity for attachment to volunteer

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azencies.
Defence forces have the knack of imparting practical skills much more effectively than civil educational institutions. How else have we succeeded in training Gurkhas in English, the use of complex electronic equipment and in medical

(c) Freedom of choice is essential

(c) Freedom of choice is essential to develop real commitment. A gigantic range of social needs are there to be met—from reclaiming derelict canals to caring for the frail and elderly, or devising recreational activities for younger children out of school, at the weekends and in the holidays.

(d) Vice-Chancellors and Admission Turors to institutions of higher Tutors to institutions of higher education—many of them already believing that a break on leaving school is in every way desirable, provided it is used to the benefit of those in need—should be encouraged to be more forthright and give a preferential weighting to those who have contributed their energies, intellectual and physical, Many fear the additional cost, but Treasury figures indicate that the price of keeping an unemployed man now in excess of £7,000 per annum. Can we afford to keep young people in compulsory idleness any

I am. Sir. ALEC DICKSON. 19 Blenheim Road, W4.

#### Appointment of bishops From the Chaplain of Mansfield

Sir, Two things struck me like a bolt in your leader of April 4 on "The Translation of Dr Leonard". The first was the slur (perhaps un-intended, but none the better for that) on Bishop Habgood when you suggest that Dr Leonard is a good appoinument because he has the "intellectual, moral and dorrinal force of a kind the Church stands in some need of ". As if the other Bishop does not?

The second point you imply is that Mrs Thatcher has better judg-ment than the Archbishop of Can-terbury and the Queen on the state of the faith in these islands, since they supported the losing candidate. Right. Let her loose on the Church as on the economy. There are 100 many employed vicars anyway. Yours sincerely. CHARLES BROCK Mansfield College,

From the Principal of Wycliffe Hall Sir, Many of your readers may share my bewilderment at the reaction of Church opinion following the appointment of the new Bishop of London. Is it too naive

to suggest that if the selection process demands two names to be submitted to the Prime Minister by the Church, even though there may be an order of preference reflecting voting strength, the Church should nevertheless be delighted when either one of them is appointed? If it cannot rejoice in this way then one must question whether the

right names were submitted in the first place.
It is clear that the present method of making Crown appointments was

devised to safeguard the Prime Minister from being simply a rubber stamp to what must in the nature of the case be the Church's ultimate responsibility. But it can also be seen to demonstrate two other principles. (1) The Biblical truth that church committees have no monopoly of the guidance of the Holy Spirit. (2) The Prime Minister, in virtue of the office, has the means of sounding out a sizeable amount of lay opinion (and clerical, for that matter) which might not otherwise be given proper con-sideration by the Church's own councils, despite synodical govern-

ment. It would be a pity if the present system resulted in mass lobbying. But then anyone who has reached the position of Prime Minister should be able to judge such pressure for what it is worth. Yours sincerely, GEOFFREY N. SHAW, Vycliffe Hall,

Sir, Mrs Thatcher has acquired a reputation for bringing the nation

to its knees. Such distinction—surely the envy qualify her to recommend her personal choice of bishop to her Majesty. Yours faithfully. TAMES CUMMINS Skyborry, Knighton,

#### MIND and its work From Mr Tony Smythe

Sir, I am sorry that Ronald Butt (March '26) feir compelled in the emotional climate generated by the PIE (Paedophile Information Exchange) case to lend his support to the unremitting attacks on MIND and myself.

In 1975 MIND organized a workshop for mental health professionals at their request on the psycholo-gical problems of various sexual minorities. A transvestite, a male homosexual, a lesbian, a transsexual and a paedophile gave their own accounts of their experiences and concerns. A short report appeared in Mind Out which goes to the members and subscribers. The workshop was not solely nor predominantly concerned with paedophilia.

During the same period I was a trustee of the Albany Trust, which promotes counselling services for people with psychosexual problems. Pollowing the workshop the trust was asked to comment by PIE on a draft manifesto. The advice given was that while the paedophile experience needed to be better understood, demands to remove all legal protection for children at risk from sexual exploitation by adults were entirely unacceptable.

In 1977, together with many other concerned people and the press. I attended a public meeting organized by PIE at Conway Hall primarily because the National Front and others had made attempts to stop it taking place which included the use of physical violence.

The above description represents the totality of MIND's connections with PIE. However, our casework services receive a fair number of inquiries from people who link their mental health problems with their sexual inclinations. We advise and represent people who have emotional or practical difficulties and some who have committed serious offences. Help does not imply approval. We are trying to deal with these very real issues in a responsible and professional way and we shall not be helped by the innuendoes and accusations con-tained in Ronald Butt's article. Yours faithfully,

TONY SMYTHE, National Director, 22 Harley Street, W1. April 3.

#### Mot juste

Powys.

From the Archdeacon of Durham Sir, Had Philip Howard (April 4) been a farmer, he would known that the singular of "cattle" is "beast". Yours faithfully. MICHAEL PERRY. 7 The College,

Civil Service pay offer From Mr P. A. Bayliss

Sir, Mr Callaghan's Government was right three years ago when it pro-posed a S per cent pay norm. Mrs Tharcher's Government was equally right when it set the 6 per central right when it set the 6 per central cash limit and its offer to the Civil Service of a 7 per cent increase in pay is, if anything, too generous in relation to what the economy can

It is a great pity that the 364 economists who announced their col-lective disapproval of the Government's general economic policy did nor endorse this most vital feature of the present situation.

The unpalatable fact is that, when considering our greatest problem. Inflation, economists are still agreed neither as to the cause nor the cure.

The Association of Independent Businesses has been very critical of the Government's failure to implement its declared policies, especially as regards the rate of reduction in current public expendience. On the authority of the Budget statement this failure is attributable largely to the 525 billion accounted for increases in public services pay bill resulting from the Clegg com-mission and similar catching-up exercises, many involving staged aertlements. And, despite this ill-

judged generosity on the part of the Government towards their employees, we still find the Civil employees, we still find the Civil Service dissatisfied, to the point of striking in support of a claim for 15 per cent—even when most of them received 30 per cent last year.

Most disturbing of all is the atti-tude of the First Division Associa-tion of the Civil Service. Albeit by narrow majority, the decision by those appointed as managers of our country to prostitute which their positions of trust enable them to develop so as to disrupt the proper business of government is action which in former ages would have been rewarded by summary

In this more enlightened age players still have certain reme dies at their disposal. The job of those who are, and who aspire to be, our senior civil servants is to manage the country. If they go on strike, we suggest seriously to Mrs Thatcher that they should be sacked and the many administrators made reducidant in recent months by private industry will readily volunteer for retraining to take their places. Yours faithfully, P. A. BAYLISS, Chairman,

Economic Committee. Association of Independent Busi-As from: 38 Chancery Lane, WC2,

#### Ban on Veronica Rostropovich

From Mr Claudio Abbado and others and others

Sir, On April 22 the Moscow Philharmonic Orchestra conducted by Dmirri Kitaenko will be giving a concert at the Royal Festival Hall.

Among the members of the orchestra is Veronica Rostropovich, who has played in the first violin section of this orchestra for 25 years. She also happens to be the sister of the Russian musician Mstislav Rostropovich. Ever since he was arbitrarily stripped of his Soviet citizenship (in March, 1973) his sister has been refused permission to travel abroad with the orchestra. The only official explanation for this refusal is the fact of her relationship with a person whose life and work can, in our opinion, only bring honour to his fellow countrymen.

Having approached and made representations to all the relevant authorities, Veronica Rostropovich recently wrote a letter to President Brezhnev. Her answer was a summons from the Vice-Minister of Culture, Vasilly Kukharsky, who told her that whilst he was alive, she would never go abroad again.

As musicians, we find this to be intolerable discrimination against a fellow musician—as citizens we de-plore this flagrant breash of the Helsinki Agreement on Human Rights, We ask the Soviet Government to reconsider this decision.

Yours faithfully, CLAUDIO ABBADO. DANIEL BARENBOIM. COLIN DAVIS. JAMES GALWAY. BERNARD HAITINK, ATHUDI MENUHIN. PETER, PEARS, MAURIZIO POLLINI. GEORG SOLTI, ISAAC STERN PINCHAS ZUKERMAN. As from: 4 Holland Park Avenue.

#### Auchinleck's tactics

April 7.

From Mr Correlli Bernett Sir, Lord Carver's account (March 31) of Auchinleck's advice to General Ritchie before the Gazalu battle in May, 1942, is unfortunately

not wholly accurate.

According to the Official History (vol III, p 218), Auchinleck thought that Rommel might strack either by the southern flank or through the British centre, though he believed the centre attack the more likely. He suggested that both British armoured divisions should be concentrated astride the Trigh Caputto track west of El Adem, where they could meet either contingency.

He further wrote to Ritchie: "I consider it to be of the highest importance that you should not break up the absentage of sides of sides." up the organization of either of the armoured divisions. They have been trained to fight as divisions, I hope, and fight as divisions they should

In point of fact, Ritchie and/or his corps commanders ignored this advice, placing 7 Armoured well to the south of the Trigh Capuzzo and of 1 Armoured, indeed dangerously forward, and in itself not well concentrated. Hence Rommel was able to "jump" its formations piece-

Yours faithfully. Yours interest.
CORRELLI BARNETT.
University of Cambridge,
Faculty of History,
West Road, Cambridge.

#### Art education From the Chief Officer of the

Council for National Academic Awards Sir. Professor Steer and his disting-

Sir, Protessor Steer and his disting-uished colleagues in their letter (April 4) state that my council intends to phase out its History of Art and Design and Complementary Studies Board. Some of your readers may be led by this to believe that the studies for which the board has been responsible will likewise be phased out. Nothing could be furphased out. Nothing could be further from the truth. There has been in recent years

a vigorous move on the part of many of the studio staff in the colleges and polytechnics towards a greater degree of relevance and torical, theoretical and other com-plementary studies and the work done in the studio and workshop: The CNAA has recognized this development and believes that its own structure of subject boards should e modified to accommodate it. The council has therefore agreed

that the History of Art and Design and Complementary Studies Board in its present form should be phased-out. It will be replaced by a new History of Art and Design Board, with responsibility for the important group of self-standing specialist degree courses in the history of art and design. The other subject boards will assume a larger measure of responsibility for the historical and associated studies which contribute to and should be an integral part of courses in the practice of art and design. The membership of all the boards will reflect these various

functions. During the next few months the council's Committee for Art and Design, on which all relevant interests are represented, will be making recommendations to the council on the best way of implementing these decisions, with due regard for the preservation of standards.
Yours fulthfully. EDWIN KERR, Chief Officer, Council for National Academic

## Diminishing returns

344-354 Gray's Inn Road, WC1.

Awards.

April 4.

Yeovil. Somerset.

From Mr Robin Bryer Sir. As a Member of the Royal Town Planning Institute (MRTPI) I have become accustomed to being addressed as Mr T. Pi. It has an oriental ring to it which I find rather charming. Yours faithfully, ROBIN BRYER. Princes Place, Closworth,

Mr M. G. Abram
and Miss E. M. B. Pracy
The engagement is announced
between Martin, only son of Mr
G. H. Abram and the late Mrs
Mary Abram, of Stow-on-the-Wold,
Gloucestershire, and Elizabeth;
elder daughter of Mr and Mrs
Robert Pracy, of London, WC1.
Mr R. F. Garnett

Mr R. F. Garnett and Miss H. Nesbitt The engagement is announced

between Richard, son of Mr and Mrs Peter Garnett, of Stafford, and Hilary, younger daughter of Mr and Mrs Mark Nesbitt, of

The engagement is announced between Philip, son of Lieutenant-Colonel and Mrs W. T. Gaskell,

of Headley, Hampshire, and Fiona, daughter of Mr and Mrs I. Campbell, of Exeter, Devon,

Campbell, of Exeter, Devon,
Mr P. D. Le Tocq.
and Miss P. J. Gray
The engagement is announced
between Peter, younger son of Mr
and Mrs L. A. Le Tocq. of St
Peter Port, Guernsey, and Pippa,
elder daughter of Mr and Mrs
William Gray, of Little Abington,
Cambridge

Dr M. J. Noble
and Miss R. A. Hopewell
The engagement is announced
between Mark, elder son of Mr
and Mrs R. H. J. Noble, of Tarramurra, Sydney, New South Wales,
and Anne, only daughter of Captain and Mrs M. P. Hopewell, of
Warparve Rerishire

and Miss R. Budge
The engagement is announced
between Charles, sou of Captain
and Mrs R. A. Viggor, of Sidford,
Devon, and Rosemary, daughter of
Mr and Mrs V. L. Budge, of
Richmond, North Yorkshire,

Dr V. Joglekar
and Miss M. Coughtrie
The marriage rook place at St
Columba's Church of Scotland,
Pom Street, London SWI, on
April 4, 1981, between Dr Vijay
Joglekar and Miss Margo Coughtrie. The Rev Dr J. Fraser
McLuskey officiated,

tion of waterlogged finds, Suzanne Keene, Museum of London Wall, 1.10; Chinese portelain of the Qing dynasty, Margaret Somerville, British Museum, 11.30; Location of archaeological sites without excavation, David Williams, British Museum, 1.15; D. G. Rossetti's jewelry and its influence, Shirley Bury, Victoria and Albert Museum, 6.30; Picasso: women, Love and Tragedy, Pat Turner, Tate Gallery, 1.

Poetry: Patric Dickinson, Donald Ward, the Matchiight Readers, with poems by Thomas Hardy, The Orangery, Holland Park, 7.15.

Antiques Fair, Camden Arts Cen-tre, Arkwright Road, Hampstead, 11.30-7.30,

11.30-7.30.

Lunchtime music: Chancery Singers, Kathryn Harries, soptano, Holy Triuity, Kingsway, 1.05; Helen Brown, harpsichord, the Crypt, St. John's, Smith Square, 1.15; Patta Tolputt, soprano, Jonathan Leigh, tenor, John Thompson, barltone, Charles McDonald, piano, St. Mary-le-Bow, 1.05; Kerry Brown, mezzo, Helen Smith, piano, St Olave, 1.05; Kathryn Morris, soprano, Shirley Woods, piano, St Paul's, Covent Garden, 1.15.

Chairman of GLC visits Ealing,

Chairman of GLC visits Eating, 10.30.

rosy Relief Association, Oxfam and Queen Elizabeth's Foundation for the Disabled, Leatherhead. Other estates include (net, before

tax paid) : Alam, Dr Badiul of Rishton, Lan-

Wargarve, Berkshire.

Mr C. F. B. Viggor and Miss R. Budge

Marriage

Mr P. S. Gaskeli

Cambridge.

and Miss F. E. Campbell



**Forthcoming** 

Sir Philip Grant Suttie, Bt, and Miss P. P. Wright
The engagement is announced between Philip Grant Suttie, of Sheriff Hall, North Berwick, and Penelope, second daughter of Mr Thomas Wright, of Beauheu, Hampshire, and the late Mrs

Mright.

Mr E. R. A. Furber
and Miss P. M. Aylett
The engagement is announced
between Alexander, youngest son
of Mr and Mrs F. R. Furber, of
8 Pond Road, Blackheath, London,
and Penelope, only daughter of
Mr and Mrs Peter Aylett, of
Falcon House, Old Park Lane,
Farnham, Surrey.

Mr E. A. Garnett
and Miss S. E. Hodgkin
The engagement is announced
between Edward Alexander,
younger son of Mr and Mrs
Richard Garnett, of Hilton Hall,
Huntingdon, and Sarah Elizabeth,
second daughter of Dr and Mrs
John Hodgkin, of 9 Willow Walk,
Cambridge.

and Miss S. A. Mountstevens.

The engagement is announced and

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the marriage will take place in
September between David John,
eldest son of Mr and Mrs F, S.
Holtum, of Maybank, Park
Avenue, Hutton, Essex, and Susan

Anne, eldest daughter of Mr and Mrs G. J. Mountstevens, of Elm Park Farm, Chewton Keynsham,

The engagement is announced between Michael, only son of Mr and Mrs J. L. Kennedy, of Haslemere, Surrey, and Elizabeth Ann, eldest daughter of Mr and Mrs K. A. Miller, of Hongkong and Aberfoyle, Scotland.

Mr R. P. Trives
and Miss M. E. Austin
The engagement is announced
between Robert, son of Mr and
Mrs John Trives, of Richmond,
Surrey, and Morag, daughter of
Mr and Mrs William Austin, of
Richmond, Surrey.

Today's engagements

The Queen attends evensong to mark golden jubilee of Society of the Friends of St George's and Descendants of the Most Noble Order of the Garter, St George's Chapel, 5.15.

The Duke of Edinburgh visits Dowty, Group Ltd, Arle Court, Cheltenham, 10.15.

Cheltenham, 10.15.

Queen Elizabeth the Queen Mother takes Lord High Admiral's divisions, Britannia Royal Naval College, Dartmouth, 11.

The Duke of Kent, as president, opens Football Association's new residential block, National Sports Centre, Lilleshall, Shropshire, 11.45; plants tree, Sheriffhales, Staffordshire, 3.45.

Princess Alexandra attends recep-tion at Thames Heritage Trust Exhibition, Bentalls Ltd, King-ston upon Thames, 6.20.

Primrose League service to mark centenary of the death of Benjamin Distraell, St Morgaret's, Westminster, 5.

Brains Trust, chairman Lord Norwich and panel: Joan Bakewell, Sir Hugh Casson, John Drummond and Tom Stoppard, Royal Justitution, 21 Albemarie Street, 7.30.

Talks and lectures: British archi-tecture, George Perkin, RIBA, 66 Portland Place, 6; Conserva-

Miss Ida Mary Parsons, of Stor-rington, West Sussex, left estate valued at £171,463 net. After par-sonal bequests she left the residue equally between St Earnabas Nurs-

ing Home, Worthing Cancer Research Campaign, Arthritis and Rheumatism Council, British Lep-

Latest wills

Mr M. J. Kennedy and Miss E. A. Miller

Mr D. J. Holtum

marriages

#### **COURT CIRCULAR**

WINDSOR CASTLE April 8; His Excellency the Ice-landic Ambassador and Mrs landic Ambassador and Mrs Bjarnason, Her Excellency the High Commissioner for Canada, the Secretary of State for the Home Department and Mrs White-law, Sir Roden Cutler, VC and Lady Cutler, Sir Rex and Lady Richards, Sir Michael and Lady Edwardes, Mr and Mrs David Carter and the Dean of St Paul's and Mrs Webster have left the

The Duke of Edinburgh attended the Memorial Service for Admiral of the Fleet the Lord Fraser of North Cape which was

morning.

The Queen was represented by Admiral of the Fleet Sir Varyl Begg.

CLARENCE HOUSE April 8: Queen Elizabeth The Queen Mother, attended by the Dowager Duchess of Abercorn, the Dowager Viscountess Hamble-den, the Lady Elizabeth Basset, the Earl of Dalhousic, Sir Martin Gilliat. Captain Alastair Aird and Captain Ashe Windham, this afternoon embarked in HM Yacht Britannia at Portsmouth Her Majesty travelled in an Aircraft of The Queen's Flight,

KENSINGTON PALACE AENSINGTON PALACE

April 8: The Princess Margaret,
Countess of Snowdon was present today at a Luncheon at the
Albany Hotel. Birmingham and
presented a cheque to the East
Birmingham Hospital for the
Leukaemia Research Ward.

Her Royal Highness, who travel,
led in an aircraft of The Queen's
Flight, was attended by The Hon
Mrs Wills and Major The Lord
Napier and Ettrick.

YORK HOUSE
ST JAMES'S PALACE
April 8 The Duke of Kent, Colonel
Scots Guards, today received
Lieutenant Colonel the Honourable Thomas Boyd-Carpenter upon
relinquishing command of the 1st
Battalion.

THATCHED HOUSE LODGE April 8 Princess Alexandra and the Hon Angus Ogilvy were present this evening at a Charity Premier of Superman II, in aid of Special Olympics UK, at the Warner West End Cinema, Leicester Square.

The Lady Mary Fitzalan-Howard was in attendance. was in attendance.

#### Birthdays today

Lord Brooke of Cumnor, 78; Lord David Cecii, 79; Sir Brian Cubbon, 53; the Most Rev Domenico Enrici, 72; Senator J. William Fulbright, 76; Rear-Admiral Sir Alexander Gordon Letinox, 70; Sir Robert Helpmann, 72; Sir Iain Moncreiffe of that Ink. 62; Sir Michael Palliser, 59; Mr Hans Schmoller, 65; Professor D. M. Walker, QC, 61.

Latest appointments

Latest appointments include: Mr Malcolm Rognvald Innes of Edingisht, to be Lyon King of Arms in Scotland. Air Marshal David Atkinson, to be Director-General of RAF Medical Professor M. F. Oliver, to be President of the British Cardiac Society.

Royal Caledonian Ball The Royal Caledonian Ball will be held at Grosvenor House, Park at Grosvenor House, Park Lane, London WI, on Monday, May 18. Tickets priced £17 each (including light refreshments served at midnight) are now on sale. Juquiries can be made to the secretary to the ball. 16 St Michaels Close. North Waltham, Easingstoke. Hampshire. Tel. Dummer (025 675) 543.

Premium Bond winners £5,000 winners in the April

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#### RAF commendations

Two Royal Air Force airmon from a radar unit in the Troodos mountains, Cyprus, Corporal Tim Thorpe and Senior Aircraftman David Hill have been awarded official commendations for their part in the rescue of injured passengers from a crashed Cypnot school bits on March 13.

deputy premier in charge of agricultural questions since last May
and who is succeeded in this post
by Mr Vladimir Matskevich. Professor Lysenko, the Soviet biologist, has
been releved of his duties as press
dent of the All Union Academy of
Agricultural Sciences, the official
Soviet news agency Tass said
today. The move was made at his
own request. He successor is Mr
P. P. Lobanov who has been a

of North Cape

The Queen was represented by Admiral of the Fleet Sir Varyl Begg and the Duke of Edinburgh was present at a memorial service for Admiral of the Fleet Lord Fraser of North Cape in Westminster Adverve yesterday. The Dean of Westminster officiated, assisted by the Rev Alan Luff, precentor and sacrist, and the Ven R. H. Roberts, Chaplain of the Fleet and Archdeacon for the Royal Navy, who led the prayers. Admiral Sir Henry Leach, Chief of the Naval Staff and First Sea Lord, gave, an address, The Bishop of London pronounced the blessing. The Right Rev Edward Knapp-Fisher, the Rev Charles Taylor, the Rev the Rev Charles Taylor, the Rev P. O. Price, Principal Chaplan Church of Scotland and Free Churches (Naval), the Rev P. W.

Warland, the Rev J. A. G. Oliver and the Rev A. A. Braithwaite were robed and in the sanctury. The Prime Simister was represented by Admiral of the Fleet Sir Edward Ashmore and the Lord Chanceller, and the Sir Servers of Chancellor and the Secretary of State for Defence by Viscount Trenchard. The Lord Mayor of Westminster attended and the Lord Mayor of London was repre-sented by Rear-Admiral E. W. Ellis. Others present included:

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## Breughe painting of feast fetches £250,000

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The large panel painting (18) by 401 inches) is descried by the artist's biographer as is mort important composition; may of his works are based on empositions invented by his father while this is credited with being ntirely original, although other wisions exist. Sotheby's had not published su estimate but were suggesting a price about £150,000 to £200,000.

It was characteristic of the sale £72,000, not a big return when

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to attract prices well in excess of expectations, but for middle-quality pictures there was no in-

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he Prime Minister and Sir Robin

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Dinners

commission is deducted, but still an advance.

Among the other high-priced pictures was a small flower paint-ing on metal by Roelandt Savery.

ing on metal by Roelandt Savery.

"Flowers in a glass vase" which went for £95,000 (estimate £50,000 to £60,000) to John Mitchell, a Guerrino "Saint John the Baptist in Prison. visited by Salome" at £69,000 (estimate £40,000 to £60,000) and a Florentine panel of Diana and Actaeon "attributed to Domenico Veneziano at £68,000 (estimate £40,000 to £60,000) to Mrs Kraus.

The main morning sale totalled f1,804,200, with 24 per cent unsold. There was also a lesser afternoon sale of Old Masters totalling £302,790, with 20 per cent unsold. The recent erratic prices for

The recent erratic prices for Chinese ceramics were repeated at Christie's yesterday. The sale totalled £261,060 but 27 per cent was left unsold. Roger Bluett paid the only substantial price at £24,000 for a 91 inch Longquan celadon futerary vase and domed cover of the Southern Song dynasty. Christie's had been suggesting a price between £20,000 The latter provided an idluminating example of how to read auction cataloguing. It was described as "Property from a German private collection"; it belonged to the Frankfurt picture dealer Uwe Opper, but came from

## Virgil's universal appeal after twenty centuries

From Philip Howard

roung, General Officiated at the commissioning ceremony a monowealth Affairs, was bost to a women's Royal Army Const College, Camberley, yesterdy.

The ceremonial sast was conference. In his presidential address to the Classical Association of Exeter yesterday, Professor Deryuck Williams, of Reading University, examined how Virgil is larting twenty centuries after his death awarded to Officer Cadet Bridge | Fist European Trade Council | Collin. (Ripon Grammar School) | Mr J. N. Cooper presided at a lincheon given by the East European Cademic studies prize and the pean Trade Council yesterday in international affairs prize was belong of Mr G. Prinski, leader Officer Cadet Maria G'Donoghne (Republic of Ireland). The following officer cadets were G. C. Dick, leader of the British also appointed to commissions: eam, was among those present.

Mathematical pedants may be inclined to question whether we are right to be commemorating the 2,000th anniversary of his death this year. Dic precor, how many years are there from 19 EC to AD 1981? But we celebrated the bi-millenary of Virgil's birth in 70 EC in 1930, so there is a

Professor Williams, that learned and eloquent Virgilian scholar, argued that his master is still doing all right, even in translation. He has always been widely popular for reasons of the most diverse kind. ay were the guests of honour at le annual dinner of the Diplo-nate and Commonwealth Writers Association of Britain held less that at New Zealand House, Mr Airew Walker, president of the anchair.
Over guests included: diverse kind.

Professor Williams considered

appeal under two principal headings: surface qualities and under-lying qualities.

Surface qualities include such matters as the mere sound of the poetry written by the wielder of the stateliest measure ever moulded by the lips of man. They include his descriptive power, both to depict nature and to create scenes that the human eye does not see but the poet's visual scenes that the human eye does not see, but the poet's visual imagination paints unforgettably. A third surface quality is Virgil's parrative speed and vividness. Read the passage describing how the wooden horse entered Troy again. And a fourth is the at present unfashionable quality of high-powered and intense rhetoric, oratorical fireworks to express anger, indignation and pity.

Professor Williams considers that the inner and deeper underlying qualities of Virgil's poetry are concerned with the human problems of how best to conduct oneself in this wicked world: to the human in the sale to be sale to restate the sale towards the sale. wards the gods, towards the state and towards other people and one-self. That is the essence of the Aeneid. Virgil recognizes and ex-presses with sensitive intensity tha pathos of the human situation, but he does not fall into despair.

#### Simultaneous chess

By Harry Golombek

Chess Correspondent The former world champion Mikhail Botvinnik of the Soviet Union, who is on a visit to Britain to read a paper on chess computer advances at London University, gave a simultaneous clock display against eight under-18 players at Imperial College, London, for five

hours yesterday. The use of clocks means that there is a particular handican for the player who is giving the display since he has much less time than usual. Botvinnik, who is in his seventieth year managed to ovrcome this bandicap and dem-onstrate that he is still a mar-

Faced by very strong opposition, since British junior chess is among the finest in the world, he won by 41 to 31 after a hard struggle. He beat Julian Hodgson, John Hawksworth and Alan Byron, lost to Byron Jacobs and to Stuart Conquest, aged 14, and drew with Daniel King, Neil Dickenson and Gary Lane.

vellous player. Faced by very strong opposition.

The event was sponsored by

Pergamon Press.

Captain G. H. Rich, MC, died on March 17 near his h in Leicestersbire at the ag 63, was an outstanding per ality and horseman. Son of well known polo player, H Rich, he was commissioned the Queen's Bays and awarded the MC during Second World War.

A brilliant man to hound

Obituary

PROF ALAN TALBOT

Mathematics

at Brunel

Professor Alan Talk Emeritus Professor of Mat matics at Brunel Universince his retirement in 19

died on April 5 at the age

cian and an inspiring patient reacher, well liked

staff and students. During time at Brunel, since 1972

became universally respec for his integrity of purpose, termination and conscient approach to everything he

permeated throughout by modest disposition.

As a mathematician he

in the highest rank as a search worker and teacher.

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University in 1975 was masterpiece of exposition mathematics and several at

of its applications, which di

great deal to establish his

partment at Brunel as a ma

matical centre. Originally a mathema master in various schools,

spent the war years as a ma

matician in the Electrical

sign Department of Mur Radio Limited, from w sprang his subsequent inte-

in approximation theory
network theory. In 1945
joined Professor S. Chapm
Department of Mathematic
Imperial College.
Talbot was a recognized
cher of London University

many years and Examiner Mathematics and Engineer

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Later he went to the University
of York for one year, and to Lancaster University whe was Professor of Mathetics and subsequently Heat
Department. He joined

Department. He joined staff of Brunel University

1972, when he already ha well-established reputation

university circles and a list of publications.

tics and its applications, included network theory approximation theory, most recent work was dev to the development of spec accurate methods of inver Laplace transforms by

puter.
This is work of the hig originality and will have reaching influences on to

form applications. He looking forward to set years of active work in field.

CAPT G. H. RICH

His research work exter over a wide field of mathi

He was a gifted mathem

was a quiet and sympath horseman who used to sc all Major General Sir Ev Fanshawe's young horses. known with all the Leice shire packs and hunts adja to them, he was also a fam

of the Atherstone when Cap Brian Parry was Master, rode all his point to p horses. At the end of the wa bought a little grey h called Quicksilver home f Italy in the back of an A lorry, and this was ridden his first wife, the former.

Frost, to win the Queen E beth II cup in 1952. The kindest of men wit deep regard for children, was excellent company an clever mimic. He leave: widow and two daughters.

Mr Christopher (Kit) Lamb who launched the rock gold. The Who, has died in hosp in London on Monday after fering a fall at his moth London home. He was 45 the son of Constant Lamb

#### Science report

### Organic chemistry: Synthesizing genes

From Pearce Wright Science Editor Gulldford

A method of synthesizing an individual gene from laboratory reagents was described we tenday by Professor Har Gobind Khorana, FRS, the Nobel Laureage, at a meeting of the Royal Society of Chemistry at Surrey University, Guildford, He added that electronic instru-

He added that electronic instru-ments had been defised to carry out the process automatically and he expected those instruments, programmed to make spectric genes to order, to be available commercially within a year. But Professor Khorana also sounded a note of caution over the present enthysisom for genetic engineering to create micro-organisms that manufacture sub-stances like interferon, insulin, a variety of fine chemicals and many other compounds of possible industrial use.

London
KING'S COLLEGE
The following have been elected fellows of the college
Perdiscar A G Chioros, MA, LID,
Professor A F, Fisher, FNS F
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PhD J. S Roderick, BA, the Archinsting of Canterbury, Dr Robert
Runger.

Newcastle upon Tyne Professor D. A. Shaw has been appointed as Dean of Medicine. Warwick

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Professor Khorana, who holds the Stoan Chair of Chemistry and Biology at the Massachuseus Institute of Technology, it an expert in synthetic organic chemistry. He has produced an eight-point procedure for making gener and inserting them into organisms.

He says that it is not difficult to string a group of biochemical reagents topetoer to reproduce a gene. The challenge is to get that compound accepted by a mirroorganism. Experiments in transplanting genes, made both on the biography bench and natural ones removed from other organisms, are running into difficulties because Or Seter Howie, MB, ChB, MD (Glasg), clinical consultant, Medical Research Council reproductive hiplogy unit. Edinburgh, has been appointed to the chair of obstetrics and genaecolog.

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His reservations are reflected by other research worker: in the biological field, who are disposed field resemble to organisms that are then cultured in huge for the manufacture of a for the manufacture of a host on which they are impos-That rejection is an intromechanism. The material or i gene, is not ejected but agnored. The instruction it car for the manufacture of a literal substance are therei disobeved.

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#### HALCYON DAYS ENAMELS 1981 Easter Egg The Carousel – a precious

enamel egg for collectors. All the exuberance of a 19th century fair is expressed in our design for the 1981 Easter Egg. Enamelled on copper in Bilston, production of this charming annual ceases on April 30th 1981, so limiting the edition and turning each enamel box into a potential nest egg. £25.50 plus £1 p&p.

HALCYON DAYS 14 Brook Street, London WI Shopping Hours: Monday to Friday 9.15 am to 5.30 pm Open Easter Saturday 9.30 am-1.30 pm.

Lettie Barrow, an auxiliary nurse, will be Mary when 200 Notting Hill churchpeople enact the Easter story in the streets of

Black Christ: Ken Joseph, aged 18, a youth north Kensington on Monday. The Archworker (left) will play Jesus and Mrs bishop of Canterbury. Dr Robert Runcie, will lead meditations at the main scenes. The procession will be lit by 500 flaming

Photograph by Poter Trigenor

Halian Chamber of Commerce for Great Britain.

The Italian Chamber of Commerce for Great Britain held a dinner at the Talk of the Town yesterday in conjunction with Alitalia. A fashion show thom "itti Donna" and "Pirti Uobna" vas presented by the Centre Modal of Florence. Grand'uff Mashin Gen presided. Among the Livas were: The Italian Amba done and Sugnora Cagnati, Livid and Lady Delfont. For Charles and Lady Forte, Sir Jack and Lady Lym. Mr and Mrs Cyril Spencer. Professor Fidua Arata. Dr Franco Ipin redi. Minister and Signora Fontana Giusti. Minister Counselbr and Signora Boundo, Consul Guerat and Signora Boundo, Consul Guerat and Signora Fuxa, Dr and Signora Divisioner and Signora Fuxa, Dr and Signora Divisioner and Signor Thelma Coen.

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## THETWE **BUSINESS NEWS**

Hard choices facing the building societies, page 19

#### Stock markets FT Ind 539.4, up 13.6 FT Gilts 69.47, up 0.08

52,2030, up 95 points Index 99.4, up 0.5

Index 100.6. down 0.8 DM 2.1250, down 130 pts

Gold \$509.50, down \$3

Money 3-mth sterling 12%-12%

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6-mth Euro \$ 151-15

3-mth Euro \$ 151-151

#### Japan offers Poland respite over debts

Japan is the latest country to offer Poland a delay in repaying its debis. It will have until the end of June to pay the \$30m (£13.6m) due now. Poland's total debt to Japan is

s.000m. Central bankers and finance tentral bankers and finance ministers meet in Paris today to consider rescheduling the \$11,000m Poland owes to western governments and export credit agencies. The full debt to the West is about \$25,000m.

German banks have stready ndicated that they are pre-nared to accept a delay until be end of June in repayments if principal which should have seen made in the second marter. These debts amount to j1,000m.

#### Midland Euro issue

As part of its continuing need or long-term capital in its aternational business, Midland Sank is raising \$150m in the Eurobond market with the ssue of 10-year floating rate totes. The book is offering 1 9 per cent minimum coupon o appeal to the retail investor.

#### Housing starts

The National Council of Building Material Producers redicts that builders will start ork on 120,000 homes during 981, with 135,000 "starts" in 982 and 145,000 in 1983. The ouncil expects a general the construction adustry to continue. Building delay, page 18

#### lacardi sales pact

Bacardi, the rum producer, nd Courage, Imperial Group's rewing arm, have reached an amicable and satisfactory" entlement of their differences rising from Courage pub ustomers allegedly being erved other makes of rum ben asking at the bar for a drink. Courage's acardi drink. Courage's perating companies have ndertaken not to make such ibstitutions and Bacardi, in ty future case, will tell ly future case, will burage within 48 hours.

#### igarette output cut

Cigarette and cigar producin is to be suspended in seven iperial Group factories beuse of a big drop in orders noe the Budget price rise, orkers will be paid to stay home while the plants reduce oduction by the equivalent of days work during April and

#### S silver sales

The American Government is anning to sell a total of 0 million ounces of silver - om its strategic stockpile over e next four years. The meral Services Administrain, which argues that domesproduction of silver covers

committee. Bispa stated: "We do not believe that the corporation is deliberately seeking to ategic needs, will dispose of million ounces this year. IP licences refused by price cutting. We do, how-ever, point out that even a sincerely expressed intention to The Office of Fair Trading es refused or revoked con-imer credit licences for 22 aders in the six months up to see and of February,

#### Vall Street up

The Dow Jones industrial erage closed at 993.43, up 0.54 Wall Street yesterday. The =SDR exchange rate was 22050 while the f=SDR rate

#### By Ronald Pullen

Pressure was growing yesterday for the Hongkong & Shanghai Banking Corporation's offer of pearly \$500m for the Royal Bank of Scotland to be referred to the Monopolies Commission. This possibility acted as a strong brake on Royal Bank's share price which after an initial 16p surge closed only 4p higher at 172p, a 20 per cent discount on the Hong-kong bank's terms approunced on Tuesday evening.

Much of the interest in the proposed takeover is now centring on the attitude of the Bank of England, which appears to have reservations about the move, but officials are unsure about the grounds on which they can oppose the deal.

There have been several meetings between Mr Michael Sandberg, chairman of the Hongkong bank, and Mr Gordon Richardson, the Governor of the Bank of England, but unlike its reaction to the earlier Standard Chartered in the Stand dard Chartered approach which sparked off the "auction" for Royal Bank, the Bank of England has so far not given its imprimatur. This is already

Independent

steelmakers

attack BSC

Pricing policies being used by the British Stel Corporation

to regain business lost abroad

were attacked strongly yester-day by independent UK steel-makers who claimed the policy

was endangering private sector

Mr Selwyn Williams, deputy director of the British Inde-

pendent Steel Producers' Asso-

ciation, told an all-party commit-tee of MPs: "They have gone

tee of Mrs: troy to mar-too far in their quest for mar-

kets, using, we believe wrong commercial judgment. We believe the BSC has got it

order to regain business lost

last year to imports as a result of the three month steel strike.

The corporation received

more than £1,000m last year

and over the past few months

about its use of public funds to secure business, and a number

either closed down or phased

out jobs and facilities which

compete in the same sector of

In response to the criticisms

and complaints, the Govern-ment has established a mecha-

pism to investigate allegations of unfair pricing. But Bispa representatives fold the Select

Committee on Trade and Indus-

try yesterday, which is investi-

gating the BSC's latest corporate plan, that the mecha-

it failed to deal with the real

problem, which was concerned

which private companies would

In a memorandum to the

destroy independent companies

roll back imports' and to regain market share' is, given

the indivisible nature of the steel market, bound to have the

same effect. It could not be done without access to public

funds and it cannot be done

without damage to private pro-

Lasmo 15p to 549p London Sumatra 13p to 373p Sheft Trans 14p to 362p Ultiramar 11p to 481p Unilever 13p to 521p

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16p to 171p 10p to 675p Sp to 630p 22p to 282p 26p to 558p

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PRICE CHANGES

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private companies have

pricing

By Peter Hill

tion of the Bank's position.
In fact the Hongkong bank's move raises important questions of principle for the Bank of England which takes its officials

Pressure grows for bank bid

monopolies reference

into uncharted waters. Guidelines for banking takeovers were last set out in 1972 but these largely related to the accepting houses where the Bank said it no longer objected to clearing banks, and for that matter EEC banks, taking stakes of up to 25 per cent.

The guidelines added that the the Bank expected all proposals where a foreign bank proposed to take an interest of 15 per cent to be discussed with it beforehand. These rules have never really been put to the test, certainly not in the case where a perfectly healthy and profitable bank such as the Royal has been subjected to a

takeover by a foreign bank. The Bank of England's reservations about foreign hank takeovers lie in the dimingrion of its control over domestic bankng institutions which has now been put on to a statutory basis with the 1979 Banking Act.

Labour politicians and trade

union leaders have privately

revived plans for worker involvement in all levels of

decision making both in state

corporations and private com-

Confidential minutes of a meeting in the House of Commons approved by the TUC's economic committee yes-

terday disclosed that the Shadow Cabinet and the unions have reached "broad agreement" on a policy of industrial democracy to take into the next

The unions also made clear

their intention to seek an exten-

sion to their statutory rights,

the 1980 Employment Act when

According to the minutes, in their talks with the politicians the unions questioned the rigid

demarcation between the public and private sectors of industry.

sary to break the 'Morrisonian

mould' of public companies,

there was no reason why the public sectors should be ex-cluded from the extension of industrial democracy to all levels of economic decision-

"And in any case, it was sug-

ested, many enterprises no longer fitted easily into either category. The proliferation of firms with both public and private capital backing blurred

the distinction between the two types of ownership."

The minutes go on to record

repeated stress on the argu-

"While it was clearly neces-

Labour returns to power.

General Election.

We believe the BSC has got it wrong."

The corporation's declared policy is to match the lowest price of imported steel in already committed to repeal of

By Paul Routledge Labour Editor

Labour revives plans

over may act against the public

to emphasize its "Britishness"

—Mr Sandberg was in Edinburgh yesterday arguing that
both the board and shareholders
were mostly British—the Bank
of England is concerned that as the Hongkong, Bank is Hongkong, based, incorporated and, supervised, this acts as a considerable constraint on the individual banks. degree of control that can exercised locally by the Bank.

Again the Bank would have to be convinced that the assurances that Hongkong Bank seem prepared to give in the heat of a bid, especially over its level of disclosure, would hold good over a long period. The Bank of England's problem is that apara from moral' suasion it has very little legis-lative ground to stand on to reject an overseas banking take-

Under the Banking Act it has to approve a change of control or management for the purposes of issuing a banking licence. But it is inconceivable that the Rongkong bank could be disqualified on these grounds. The only legislative route that seems to be open to the Bank is to Although the Hongkong bank seek a reference under the has been going to great lengths monopolies law, that the take-

These measures would have

to be permissive in character,

giving workers' representatives statutory rights that could become operative as they

Further talks are to be held

between the unious, Labour's National Executive and the

Shadow Cabinet on this topic, but the TUC side has insisted that industrial democracy must

allow not only for an exten-sion of trade union rights in

respect of corporate planning

but also recognize the ned for free and independent trade

At the end of their talks

politicians and union leaders

agreed a five-point policy accepting industrial democracy

through the trade unions. How

it should be done will be worked out later in the light of

policies on planning towards

But the TUC will insist on

the link with collective bargain-

rights, including building on the

positive gains of the Employ

ment Protection Act and the

Shadow Ministers have ber

trustees of pension funds.

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Industry Act ". .

The Governor said at last week's Treasury select commit-

tee meeting that while welcoming the proposed merger between Standard Chartered and the Royal Bank, other mergers would depend on the individual banks

Meanwhile, there was still no word from Standard Chartered word from Standard Chartered about whether it intended to come back with an improved offer. Royal Bank directors met with Mr Sandberg in Edinburgh, yesterday but they still are "considering the offer" accord-ing to Mr. Charles. Winter, deputy managing director.

Despite weak stockmarket conditions in Hongkong, Hong-kong bank's share price quickly recovered an early fall to close op up at 135p as local analysts took the view that in diluting its equity by 20 per cent in return for a 15 per cent earnings gain it was getting a remarkably good deal in taking over "one of the last profitable avenues in which we can more into Europe", as Mr John Boyer, Hongkong bank's deputy chairman, described the move.

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#### **650** jobs lost in for worker involvement engineering solution to the "problem" of industrial democracy, and the working party on this issue, set up under the umbrella of the TUC-Labour Party liaison committee, would have to come forward with flexible proposals. ciosure

By Edward Townsend Laurence, Scott & Electronicotors, the electrical equip ment manufacturer, is to close its Manchester factory at Open-shaw in July with the loss of 650 jobs.

The company, formed in 1896 and regarded as one of Manchester's oldest engineering companies, is based at Norwich and has other plants at Blantyre and Wolverhampton.

Laurence, Scott, which became the subject of a takenver bid by Mining Supplies last year, made a loss of £1.9m in the year to March, 1980, and in

made later today, Mr Peter Dawson, director, said he hoped natural

wastage and voluntary redun-dancies would trim the 60 names. The cutback will leave Grove Cranes with just under 500, employees in the Oxford area.

Mr Dawson said short time working would begin at both plants soon and continue indefinitely."

More than 200 workers will ose their jobs with the closure of the Star Aluminium, plant in which is transferring produc-tion to its other plant in Bridge north, says it must slim down to survive.

asked to make clear which department of the Labour Government will be responsible for industrial democracy, and Seventy workers will be made redundant next month and another 140 in October to consider trade union repre-sentation on the boards of when the plant is due to close. I parity.

#### Share index up 13.6 in buoyant market

By Margareta Pagano The FT Index yesterday recorded its biggest single day's rise in over 15 months when it rise in over 15 months when it closed 13.6 higher at 539.4.

Dealers were surprised by the leap, particularly after the sharp rise in Tuesday's bank lending figures dashed any hopes of an early cut in MLR. It was this hope, coupled with signs that the recession was beginning to recede which helped inspire recent buoyant.

helped inspire recent buoyant market trading.

Last Thursday the index rose to 541.9, up 12.1 on the previous day. But dealers remain undeterred and talk is still about

a cot in MLR The strength of the index appears to come from a com-bination of factors. The easing of tension over fears of Russian intervention in Poland improved sentiment. New time buying before the three-week Easter account starting on Friday and the long list of results yesterday also helped trigger the rises. Institutional investors con-

tinued to support equities and alchough jobbers had marked prices down in the morning most blue chip companies sav large gains.

Stores and oils sectors showed advances with trading news but it was the banking sector which sparkled with the Hougkong & Shanghai Banking Corporation's £500m counter bid for the Royal Bank of Scotland

But optimism did not spread to government securities where dealers reported little more than price inquiries. Prices moved in slim limits. Both long and short gilts were unchanged with some small rises of £1/16.

#### Sterling gains continue By Our Economics Staff

The pound continued to gain on a generally weaker dollar and on continental currencies after Tuesday's disappointing bank lending and money supply

the following five months a loss of £1.7m.

Crove Cranes is to make 60 workers redundant at its factories at Cowley and Bicester.

A call for volunteers will be 99.4 (average 1975=100).

The dollar's weakness stemmed mainly from reduced tension over Poland, which prompted renewed confidence in European currencies such as the Deutsche mark, and lower domestic and Euro-dollar interest rates.

After dipping below DM 2.12 in mid-session, the dollar recovered to finish trading at DM2.1250, down 1.30 plennigs from Tuesday. Its Bank of England index fell 0.8 to 100.6.

The Belgian franc streng thened markedly against other currencies in the European Monetary System, though it re-mains the weakest member, after the formation on Tuesday of a new government under former finance minister Mr Mark Eyskens, pledged to support the currency at its present

### Ford of Britain profits down 41 per cent as car sales slump

By Edward Townsend Ford of Eritain, for many years the country's most suc-cessful major motor manufacturer, suffered a 41 per cent slump in profits last year, achieving a pre-tax figure of £226m against the 1979 record level of £386m,

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After a year in which sales. export revenue and profits all declined, Mr Sam Toy, the chairman and managing director, disclosed that by the second half of 1980 Ford was nor making a profit on its United Kingdom operations.

The company's annual report, published today, also shows that no dividend was paid last year to the United States parent company which itself is facing severe financial prob-lems. Ford of America made a loss in 1980 of \$1.540m (£684m)

one of the largest deficits in United States history. Ford UK has paid a dividend in only five of the last 10 years although it has made substantial loans to the American oper-

nat to any to the American operation. At the end of 1979, the company loaned £229m to Ford of. America, which was repaid last year, and in 1981 loans will rise to £438m. The loans have been made at commercial rates of interest

The company's operating profit in 1980 of £139m was increased by £85m of net interest income, most of which came from the United States parent. This also includes £19.1m received in interest relief grant from the Government.

Ford UK's profits for 1980, which would be reduced to £155m under current cost accounting, where achieved on sales that fell back from the record 1979 figures of £3,193m to £2,924m. Group sales in export markets were £957m compared with £1,167m in 1979 while direct exports from the while direct exports from the United Kingdom amounted to £852m (£1,010m). Capital expenditure



Mr Sam Toy: 1980 sales 'feli

ing iovestment in the new engine plant in South Wales. Ford said that expenditure in the pipeline, either committed contracts or authorized programmes, was £442m against £347m a year earlier.

Mr Toy, who took over as chairman from Sir Terence Beckett, now director general of the Confederation of British Industry, said in a letter to employees that in the four years to 1984 the company planned investments totalling £1,408m. "And we are working on the biggest and most com-prehensive product development programme we have ever under-taken", he added.

The group, which includes factories in Ireland and Eelgium as well as the British operations, sold 713,000 cars, trucks and tractors in 1980, again second only to the record 1979 figure of 834,000. Mr Toy said that last year began well "and then dramatically fell away".

away".
"Our competitors are spending millions of pounds in pro-moting their vehicles and there is also the possibility of further competition from a Japanese manufacturing plant in Britain." The most vital contribution to the fight had to be made within the company. "Both at management level and on the £324m, twice as high as for any shop floor, we have to become previous year except the £334m more effective and more spent in 1979, the latter includence.

## Yugoslav Land-Rover deal

Belgrade, April 8.—BL's cluded local contracts for the Rover car division will sign an agreement in principle to assemble Land Rovers in Yugoslavia, Mr Cecil Parkinson, the British Trade Minister, said

He told reporters the agreement for a joint venture, worth \$92m (£41.8m), would be signed tomorrow in the southern town tomorrow in the southern town of Ivangrad, where the plant is to be built. The plant, employing about 1,000, would take about two years to build.

A BL spokesman in London said the plant would initially assemble 2,000 to 3,000 vehicles a year from kits made in the southern to the south

Britain. But the agreement in- United Kingdom market.

give only project outline and further details were likely to be worked our later. The plant would not be financed by Britain.—Reuter, BL sells more: BL cars was the only British-based motor

the only British-based motor manufacturer to increase its share of the market in the first three months of this year, to 20.67 per cent. Four BL cars appear in the March top 10. Metro, Ital, Mini and Allegro. The Metro and Mini now account for 11 per cent of the United Kingdom market.

#### It is alleged by private sector W Germany and France agree fund-raising to modernize economies companies that, in some product groups, BSC is cutting its

#### prices by as much as £50 a tonne to gain business from Bonn pact on £9,600m projects British customers. Stressing that they did not believe that Mr Ian MacGregor, BSC chair-

man, was "malignant" towards them. Bispa representatives pointed out that it was a policy Bonn, April 8

making.

West Germany and France will raise long term credits in the international capital markets in parallel to help finance projects intended to modernize their two A joint statement issued in Paris and

Bonn this afternoon said that the Credit National in France and the Kreditanstalt für Wiederaufbau in West Germany would raise the equivalent of 5,000 million European currency units (about £9,600m) over the next 18 months.

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Dr Otto Lambsdorff, the German economics minister, said in Bonn that Germany would be raising its half of the total planned borrowing in Deutschemarks. The proceeds of the fund-raising would amount in West Germany's case to DMC 200m (ff 340m) and he lent he the DM6,300m (£1,340m) and be lent by the Kreditanstalt at interest rates subsidized by the federal government to help finance investments that would encourage techn logical innovation and create jobs, and were intended to reduce Germany's dependence on imported oil. Today's announcement put an end to several days of confused speculation that

the two countries were planning to float a large joint loan to be offered directly to members of the Organization of Petroto members of the Organization of Petroleum Exporting Countries which might
even have been denominated in European
currency units (ECUs).

In the event, the use of ECU to describe
the scale of the borrowing is nothing more
than window-dressing, and in the German
case the borrowing will be made through
the time-honoured medium of promissory

Although Dr Lambsdorff suggested that note loans. parallel fund raising could have psychological benefits by demonstrating that two countries with similar economic difficulties were determined to solve them together, it means simply that West Germany and France will be lining up to borrow funds at the same time.

However, the possibility of the French government getting some electoral milage from the scheme has not been discounted, if President Valery Giscard d'Estaing can manage to associate the operation in the public eye with measures to combat unemployment.



Otto Pohl, the president of the central bank, before the cabinet meeting in Bonn yesterday to discuss the new economic measures.

The Bonn cabinet today discussed a number of projects that were likely to benefit from the parallel financing scheme and are intended to smooth the German economy's path towards recovery.

Dr Lambsdorff was adamant that the measures did not constitute a programme to stimulate the economy. Most of the projects were outlined in the government's policy statement last autumn, and it seems that the cabinet decided today to give them a new political push.

Dr Lambsdorff said that an existing energy saving programme of DM4,350m (1925m) would be geared to providing energy savings devices such as solar energy equipment, hearing pumps and district hearing systems where they would be uneconomic without government assistance.

He said that the Bonn Government would press the states and utility companies to accelerate approval procedures for coal and nuclear power stations. The federal post office would be encouraged to develop its telecommunications network rapidly including a glass fibre cable net work to link corporate information

. He also promised that the government would be considering its house building programme at the end of May.

Although the phrase "supply side economics" has yet to reach Bonn, Dr Lambsdorff presumably had this in mind when he said the measures discussed today were designed to bring a structural improvement to the economy and not a

## Westland/Utrecht Hypotheelibank nw Registered office in Amsterdami

Shareholders, holders of Bearer Depositary Receipts, debendure bonds, mortgage bonds and private bonds are hereby invited to attend the Annual Guerral Meeting of Shareholders, to be held at the offices of the Company, Sarphiticital 1 in Amsterdam, on Tuesday 28 April, 1981 at 10.30 a.m.

Agenda

The agenda of the Ordinary Meeting of Shareholders, to be held at 10.30 a.m. on Tuesday 28th April 1981 at the offices of the Company, Stuate

To approve the manner of recording the Minutes, in accordance with Article 21, paragraph 3 of the Articles of

Opening of the meeting.

Discussion of correspondence Consideration of the Annual , Report of the Board of Management concerning the affairs of the Company and the management thereof in the year

Adoption of the Balance Sheet as at 31st December 1980 and the Profit and Loss Account for 1980, red by the Supervisory

6. Approval of the distribution of profit pursuant to Article 25 of the Articles of Association,

Hilling of the Vacency arising on the Supervisory Board on 29th April 1981 following the 61 following the nt by rotation of Mr. E.A. Brouwer. Notice of this vacancy and of the proposal on the part of the Supervisory Board to reappoint Mr. Brouwer, was given at the previous General Meeting. The General Meeting of Shareholds has the right to object to the

8. Filling of the vacancy arising on the Supervisory Board on 28th April 1981 following the retirement of Professor Kersten. The General Meaning of Shareholders has a right to nominate candidates to fil this

vacancy. The Supervisory Board propose to fill the vecency by appoint Mr. A. Jiskoot, The General Meeting of Shareholders has the right to object to this proposed (relappointment.

S. Notification of a vacancy which will occur on the Super-Board in 1982 as 3 result of the represent by rotation of Mr. D. Noordhof, who is eligible for The General Meeting of Shareholders has the right to nominate candidates to fill this

10. Any other business and closure of the meeting.

In order to attend the meeting in . berson, or to be represented by a prove, duly authorised in writing, or to address the meeting and exercise the light to vote, shareholders are required to give notice at least 3 days prior to the meeting of their intention to attend the meeting in person or to present the relevant instrument of provy to the Soard of Management at the head office of the Company, Sarphatistraat 7, Anisterdam. Upon the production of proof of the deposit of bearer depositary receipts

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Copies of the Annual Report in English are available from April 21st at the

Board of Management. Amsterdam, April 9, 1981.

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## warning to Japan

Lord Carrington, the Foreign Secretary, has told Japan to curb exports to West Europe or face the threat of trade pro-

After talks with Mr Zenko Suzuki, the Japanese Prime Tokyo that Japan should show a greater awareness of the problems caused in West by the flood Europe

Japanese exports.

Lord Carrington, ending four-day visit to Japan, said Japanese exports were concentrated on the most sensitive parts of European industry.

#### Taiwan trade 'lead'

The Republic of China lags in docks trade competition, despite its modernization programmes, a Taipei Economic Ministry report said. The report estimates China's 1980 foreign trade at \$35,000m with a \$512m deficit against Taiwan's foreign trade of \$39,500m with a \$46.5m

#### Italian strike call

Italy's National Confedera-ion of Trade Unions bas called for a four-hour general strike of industrial workers for April 28 to protest against the new monetary curbs imposed by the four-party coalition government led by Signor Arnaldo Forlani, the Christian Democrat Prime Minister.

#### French growth decline

France's gross domestic product expanded by 1.3 per cent in volume last year, down from growth rates of 3.1 per cent in 1979, 3.5 per cent in 1978 and 3.1 per cent in 1977, the national statistics institute said

#### Japan-Russia talks Japan and the Soviet Union

are holding talks on a new fiveyear trade agreement, according to officials in Tokyo. The previous agreement expired at the end of last year.

#### Norway jobs aim

Norway must have a yearly economic growth of about 2.5 per cent during 1982-85 to achieve the goal of full employ-ment, Mr Per Kleppe, Planning Minister, told parliament in

Volkswagen short-time Volkswagen is to introduce short-time working for 18,200 workers at its Hanover and Braunschweig truck plants because of a sharp fall in truck

#### EEC output fall

EEC industrial production continued to fall in January, showing a year-on-year drop of 7.3 per cent, according to esti-mates from the EEC Statistics Bureau in Luxembourg.

## SCOTTISH WIDOWS' FUND AND LIFE ASSURANCE SOCIETY

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Application has been made to the Council of The Stock Exchange for the 102 per cent, Cumulative Preference Shares of £1 each in the capital of the Company to be admitted to the

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#### Manufacturers attempt to regain ground lost to cans and plastics

## Glass makers in battle for the bottle

whose sales are worth £385m a year, have suffered from declining demand and competition from cans and plastics bottles, but the industry is starting to win back

Its share of the packaging market, now worth £3,540m a year, has risen by 2 per cent to 12 per cent, at the expense of the plastics and glass container imports. improve the sales trend, Rockware Glass, the United Kingdom's second largest glass container manufacturer, is introducing wrap-round labels for soft drinks bottles. The company is also expecting one of the big brewers to announce a switch to glass containers for take home beers soon, an important move in a sector

dominated by cans. United Glass, the largest British glass container maker which is jointly owned by Distillers, the whisky maker, and Owens-Illinois, of the United States, has introduced a plastic-shielded bottle to reverse the trend against plass in supermarket sales. Supermarkets led the swing to cans and plastic bottles because of reduced losses through breakages and ease

of handling. Annual returns coming into the Glass Manufacturers Federation show how far the glass container industry has to go to win a greater marker share. Cans for foods, drinks and other items accounted

13,500 cut

labour force

Further extensive reductions

in Britain's docks labour force from 23,500 to 10,000 in three

years was foreshadowed yester-

day by Mr James Davidson, chairman of the British Ports

Association and director of the Clyde Port Authority.

The industry, which had a workforce of 58,000 in 1967, is

facing a further "severe slim-ming down", and a "period of contraction in which some of our ports are likely to finish as a shadow of what they are at present", he told the associa-

tion's annual lunch in London.

labour was now a "major national problem", and also a

major human problem " which

ports felt should be aided by the state in other ports as well as in London and Liverpool. He told Mr Norman Fowler, Secre-

tary of State for Transport:
"We welcome the aid you

Liverpool, but other scheme ports feel the higher severance payments to encourage dockers

to leave should have been ex-tended to all ports. In the national interest the price indeed would be small for the benefits gained."

Mr Fowler stuck adamantly

to his previous refusal to ex-

tend the scheme however, in-sisting that the future of the industry now lay in the hands

"wholly exceptional", he said, in that each faced a crisis it

The only answer to this,

which guarantees permanent

employment for dockers even if

there is no work. But they recognize its political impracti-

cability at the present time, and Mr Davidson significantly made

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The problems of surplus dock

forecast

By Michael Baily

for 19.2 per cent of the market last year, up from 18.1 per cent the previous year. Plastics went down from 21.1 per cent

to 15.8 per cent.
Imported glass fell by 1.6 per cent to 8.8 per cent, but there was a decline of 8.4 per cent in demand for glass containers in the United Kingdom last year. United Glass made a loss in the second half of the year ending in November, and Rock-ware made only £472,000 in pretax profits compared with £5.2m in 1979.

The glass makers' toughest fight is in the take-home beer market where cans account for more than 90 per cent. This is in sharp contrast to the United States where glass still accounts for around 40 per cent of take-home sales.

But some multiple grocers are prefering "wide mouth" glass bottles for beer and Rockware says that sales of this new-style bottle, which is easier to drink from directly could increase 40 per cent this year albeit from a low base. Packaging to encase clusters of bottles

improving handling qualities in supermarkets but attempts to make popular the clip-on plastic cages frequently found in the United States have not met much success in Britain. Rockware's latest shot in the cans versus

bottles battle is in the carbonated soft drinks market whose sales are worth £680m. Glass, once the predominant packaging medium, is down to 37 per cent, compared with 59 per cent for cans and 4 per cent for PET (polyethylene tereph thalate), the recently introduced specia-lized plastic containers. PET, which does not permit the fizz to escape like some other plastics has made the greatest pro-

gress among one and two litre containers. Rockware has invested about £250,000 in launching its new labelling system. The bottles which are laminated to resist scuffing and labelled before filling to reduce costs at bottling plants, are claimed to be no more expensive than unlabelled

But the new system is less easily adapted for beer bottles because the labels do not resist the pasteurization needed for beer. At present labels can be added only after the beer is bottled but there is research to try to overcome this problem. A. G. Barr, the soft drinks company whose Tizer and Irn Bru brands are among the top half dozen sellers in a market where Coca-Cola and Pepsi Cola are the top two brands, expects the new

the quarter-litre sector. But Barr's strength is still in the returnable bottles sector which in soft drinks still accounts for half the market, down recently from a 60 per cent share.

## Rival pipeline scheme ends UK hopes of securing Norwegian gas

Norwegian energy ministers are to ask the Storting to approve a pipeline system proposed by the Starfjord field group which will enable North Sea gas to be landed at Kaarstoe, near Haugesund. The move virtually ends any lingering British hopes that this gas British hopes that this gas would be landed in the United

Kingdom.
The cost of the project, which is similar to a £2,700m gas gathering system planned for the British sector of the Nor the British sector of the North Sea, was put at Nor K 12,500m (about £1,000m) by officials of the Ministry of Petroleum and Energy in Oslo.

It was hoped in Britain that gas from the Statfjord field, which straddles the Anglo-Norweglan median line, would be fed into the United Kingdom system, thus making it a more

system, thus making it a more attractive investment. Despite intensive efforts by

ministers and officials, and what was regarded as a com-petitively-priced bid by British Gas the prospects that this would happen have receded in

Last month, Mr Hamish Gray, Minister of State for Energy, said it was unlikely that the Norwegian pipelines would compete with that being planned by Britain. He remains confi-dent that despite the failure to obtain Statfjord gas, the British system can go ahead, bringing benefits to the United King-dom's petrochemicals industry.

The Norwegian Government said yesterday that some gas would be extracted at Kaarstoe for a new petrochemical plant. The remainder would go to a platform in the Sleipner area to Ekofisk, and then link with in Norway will be piped to Emden in West Germany.

A new pipeline company will be established to own and oper-

an alternative scheme promoted by Norsk Hydro which proposed the use of the existing Mong-stad refinery, north of Bergen, as the gas terminal.

ture remains unresolved.

#### Minister reveals check on contracts

## Call to eliminate delay in UK building work

By John Huxley

A " concerted and continuous attack" on delays in building work has been called for by Mr John Stanley, Minister for Housing and Construction. He has also questioned the efficiency of an industry based on historic demarcation lines". Evidence shows that on aver-

could not solve alone and would have ceased trading without state help. But London and Liverpool could not look forage it takes twice as long to put up a standard factory in Britain as in North America or ward to a permanent subsidized clsewhere in Western Europe. Housebuilding times in the United States are also "conspi-According to Mr Davidson, labour surpluses in many ports cuously quicker", according to as a result of the recession and the switch to unit loads would not be removed when the economy took a turn for tht

the minister.
Mr Stanley disclosed that delays were sufficiently serious for the Government to have set up a special research project many port employers feel privately, is the abolition or radical alterations of the National Dock Labour scheme, to establish the causes. The project, which will examine con-tracts in progress, is being carried out by the governmentfunded Building Research Establishment in conjunction with Kenchington Little &

Partners, structural engineers. The study is being directed by a group chosen to represent the construction industry and its clients. It is hoped that an interim report can be prepared for submission to the economic development committee for the building industry this summer. Mr Stanley told a meeting of the Royal Institution of Char-tered Surveyors yesterday.

The project will concentrate on performance on industrial building sites. This sector is regarded both by the National Economic Development Council and the Covernment as having an important contribution to make to Britain's industrial recovery. Factory huilding in the Budget, where the Chan-

cellar improved the allowances available to investors.

Officials at the Building Research Station said yesterday that the initiative for the study had some from Market had come from Mr Michael Heseltine, Secretary of State for the Environment.
Previous attempts by the

industry to examine reasons for delays and to compare its performance with that of its counterparts overseas have not been wholly successful in the past. In part, they have been complicated by alleged differences between private and public housebuilding, where the latter is performed by direct



Mc Joba Stanley: foreign "conspicuously

Mr Stanley believes his report will be of "material value". He said: "Industry must be tough on the Government where Government is responsible for unreasonable delay, and it must be equally tough on itself, company by company, in remorselessly company, in remorselessly eradicating both on-site and off-

site losses of time.
"Time is money, Delay means loss of profitability. The industry's ability to reduce its time to construct must be a key means whereby it can secure lower costs, increased competitiveness and a higher work. tiveness and a higher work-

The minister also drew into uestion the present "tradi-

The minister also drew into question the present "traditional organization of construction in this country".

He said that the industry must ask itself "rigorously and objectively" whether the historic demarcation lines of the roles of contractors, architects and quantity surveyers "proand quantity surveyors produced the organization best likely to produce optimum speed, optimum officiency and optimum quality

In the past, ministers have expressed grave concern over Britain's poor performance on large construction sites which has been cited as a deterrent to industrial investment. Mr Norman Lamont, Parlia-

mentary Under Secretary of State for Energy, gave a remin-der yesterday that every effort must be made to ensure that nuclear power stations must be built to time and to cost.

The Government, however, acknowledges that performance in some sectors has improved.

#### **Business appointments**

## Chemical Bank post

director of Amher Day Holdings,
Sir Edward Fennessy has been
appointed chalman: Mr Demnis
M. J. Turner, managing director
(Caradal: Mr Roger B, Wallhouse, deputy managing director:
Mr Marbin Lamaison, financial
controller; and Mr Frederick
Morefield a director of British
Medical Data Systems.
Mr George Selby is now senior
vice-president and head of credit
and marketing for the Europe,

Mr Michael K. O'Connell has been made a deputy managing director of Chemical Bank International.

Mr C. C Hover Miller becomes an additional director of London Trust Company.

Mr Ian W. Reed is now assistant vice-president of Sentry Assurance International.

Mr Mark Dickson becomes a director of Amber Day Holdings, Sir Edward Fennessy has been appointed chairman: Mr Dermis M. J. Turner, managing director: Mr Sayer.

Mr Markin Lamaison, financial controller; and Mr Frederick Mark C. Bouers Mr K A. Mr R. C. Bouers Mr K A. Mr R. C. Bouers Mr K A.

Mr R. G. Bowers, Mr K. A. Girling and Mr T. L. F. O'Connor have been made associate directors of Wigham Poland Reinsurance Brokers.

#### dards was amply illustrated in the reaction to the great train robbery. It was a dangerous, criminal act and was heavily labelling to increase its market share in punished, but many people were aware that there are activities perfectly legal in themselves which likewise rob society of even larger sums of money. A "well-timed takeover

Derek Harris

#### by the business community Bishopth itself. The fact that there are York YO buccaneers" about does not April 7. ate the Statiford group project. The principal partner will be Statoil, the national oil group, which will be responsible for the construction and Are there too many accountants in UK?

operation of the system.

Other participants will be Elf Aquitaine Norge, Norsk Hydro Produksion, Mobil Development, Esso Exploration and Production Norway, Total Marine Norsk and Saga Petro-

The government has rejected

Meanwhile, the completion date for the British Project has been put back to the winter of 1985. Although progress on planning has been made, the financial structure of the yen-

## satellite geography

Technology Editor

A new technique for the pro-

enables a better-quality com posite picture of a geographical area to be built up from a num-ber of individual images of individual images are those ob-tained by sensors aboard American Landsat earthresources satellites.

Set up 12 months ago, the centre is funded by a number of Government bodies with an interest in carth-resources information. They include the Department of Industry; Department of Fundatry; Department of Fundatry; Department of Section 1985 partment of the Environment; Ministry of Agriculture, Fisheries and Food; Overseas Development Administration; National Environmental Re-search Council; and the Scot-

focal point for the development and application of remote-sensing techniques.

## By Kenneth Owen

The technique, based on what known as a digital mosaic,

## **Improving**

from satellites, claimed to be the most advanced of its type, has been developed by the National Remote Sensing Centre at the Royal Aircraft Establishment, Farnborough.

One result of the Farnborough

work has been to produce a complete picture of the United Kingdom which is the most accurate yet obtained. An earlier example of useful Land-sat information was evidence that the position of sandbanks in the Bristol Channel had

tish Development Department.

moved appreciably over a period of a few years.

The centre acts as Britain's

#### stand a very good chance of getting on to the board of their firm and, in due course, becoming chief executive. I have ted Kingdom boasts a total of 80,300 chartered accountants— not to mention certified, cost no figures for the number of accountants running industrial and management accountants whereas Germany, the Nether-lands and France employ totals or commercial companies but from my own experience I be-lieve that the number is surof 3,900, 4,500 and 8,000 accountants respectively. The country with the highest total after the United Kingdom is Italy with prisingly high. 14,000; Is it a coincidence that the United Kingdom and Italy are generally regarded as the sickest economies in Europe?

One may ask why this is so when the tendency in Germany, the United States or Japan is for engineers or marketing people to run the show. I be-lieve it is because of the good old British tradition of compro-mise, since, in any industrial or commercial organization, the production people and the marketing people are fighting for their heads-to get their own

This in-fighting generates a great deal of creative tension or friction resulting in a highly motivated company. However on all too many occasions the chairman or board has decided to resolve the conflict by bringing in — guess who — an accountant. The result of which is that both the marketing and production people are dissatis-fied, because neither of them respect or trust the compromise accountant who is forced to lurch from one strategy to anpany, even though everyone is william BECKETT, aware that relatively small & Elthiron Road, shifts in market conditions may London SW7.

## Engineering profession

From Mr R. Sabry-Grant Sir, It is clear the determination persists to exclude engineering from the professions in Britain, repelling the brighter youngsters in increasing num-bers and with them this country's wealth-creating potential, Inviting other than engineers to contribute to the decisions that will regulate engineering in Britain (The Times, March 20) perpetuates

Times, March 201 perpetuates its demise.

For example, the medical profession is self-regulating under the aegis of a royal charter and with statutory teeth. It is not regulated by employers, ancillary unions nor the control of the other medical lay-groups: It enjoys intraprofessional com-petition raising standards and morale and excludes extrapro-fessional intrusion which would

lower standards and repel the brighter candidates.
The "intractability of the institutions' attitudes" (The Institutions' attitudes" (The ing that would then be a Sunday Times, March 29) is a able for unit trusts or (be brave effort by the engineering still) institutions against insurmount panies. able odds to provide a pro-fessional background and support in a progressively hostile environment for those coura-geous enough to try to

maintain professional standards. It is in this country's interest to understand their common aims, encourage them to group together and to avoid once and for all the inexpert advice of engineering lay people. Britain's wealth-creating future is at stake. R. SABRY-GRANT, 248 Chase Road, London N14.

on the banks From the Archbishop of York suggest that all who have to conduct their business in finan-From the President of cial waters are "pirates". It was, after all, a Conservative British Bankers' Association Sir, As I have recently write Prime Minister who originated, or at least popularized, the

LETTERS TO THE EDITOR

able face of capitalism"

cial wizardry".

STUART EBOR.

business and commercial life"

and I have no wish to vilify

quickly make companies start to trade at a loss.

A further statement in the

The confusion of

moral standards

Sir, I would not wish Mr Peter Cadbury ("Archbishop's attack on the City's role", April 7) or any of my friends in the City,

to feel that I had launched an

unconsidered attack on the

City itself. In the Lenten lec-

ture I was simply addressing myself to the problem of why we are less clear in our own day than our forefathers were

in theirs about standards of

honesty. That question presses

upon every schoolteacher, every policeman, every magistrate, every social worker in the land.

The confusion of moral stan-

(as I described it) can

destroy a flourishing business,

impoverish small shareholders,

and put thousands of jobs at risk. To give that illustration

is not to incriminate the City

as a whole but to point to

certain activities which are feared and resented not least

From Mr William Beckett

Sir, I believe it is time to

raise a trumpet blast against

the monstrous regiment of accountants.

From the figures published on March 30, "Towards the

European accountant ", the Uni-

Ir is also perhaps significant that the average qualifying age is lower—25—than any other country (except Ireland) and that a degree is not compul-

Can any general conclusions

be drawn from this? A number are possible but the outstanding

one is that companies in the United Kingdom are subjected

to more frequent and sup-posedly rigorous nudits than other countries. An auditor looks at the existing stocks of

money and goods from which

are produced accounts which are then viewed by all and sun-

picture of the health and wealth of the company. Yet those

accounts present only an his-

toric view of the situation at a particular time rather than

cast of the future for that com-

to the Chancellor of the i chequer, this association, rep senting over 250 banks in remark about the "unaccept-United Kingdom, cannot Nevertheless, I take Mr Cad-bury's point. Every lecturer will know the perils of having his own argument deflected by a picturesque illustration which deplore the "windfall which it is proposed to l on some 30 of them. This i retrospective tax and open criticism on that account is capable of being isolated But apart from the ill from the material as a whole. cality of imposing a tax banks' prefits, which is The argument, however, remains, and it is that it is not so easy related to those profits but for the untutored (as I am in the size of their non-interthis field) to make moral disbearing deposits, it should tinctions between what some recognized that such a people call "robbery" and what other people call "finan-

Windfall tax

those hanks' reserves at a t then their liabilities have b There was a time when I sharply increased by inflati myself "wore a pin-striped suit It is the amount of the and a Homburg hat and carried an umbrella and went to the City every day". I have many friends in the City of London and available reserves of a b which dictates the degree risk it can undertake in lending, and such reset and I have the highest regard come from retained pro for their integrity. Most of after tax. It is important them are indeed striving after high moral standards in these reserves should proportionately to the gro

would constitute an erosion

in liabilities. It would seem that s banks are currently being vited to lend to some indust and commercial customers the limit of what can be idered prudential first duty is to those entrust it with deposits therefore must be a hand dustrial customers if at same time the growth of

free reserves is restricted.
The strength of the rese
of British banks is n admired abroad, as was cle article is that no less than 75 per cent of the 80,300 total work in industry and commerce. Why so many? The probable answer is that accountants stand a very good charge of shown once again when Bank of England and the cl ing banks launched the "boat" at the time of the fr strength constitutes an im tant element in the attract of London as a financial co and earner of invisible exp It is meeting vigorous increasing competition f foreign cities. If this new creates a precedent for arbitrary imposition of spe taxes on particular sectors o this must lessen the attracio London as an internatio financial centre. FRIC FAULKNER, President.

British Bankers' Association. 10 Lombard Street, London EC3V 9EL

#### Small businesse....

From Mr Philip Goldenberg == . Sir, Oliver Stanley "Have stands businesses been let day again" (April 6) really called be allowed to mis-describe Finance Bill provisions gi tax relief for the so-ca "business start-up scheme" "an anglicized Loi Monory. The exerce of Monory.

The essence of Monory moved by Richard Wainwr MP, at the standing commiconsidering the 1980 Fine Bill-is ownership for all: across-the-board tax rei limited to, say, £1,000 household, for investment isted equities or unit trust

vesting primarily therein. This arrangement wo Rerve to expand direct persinvestment, while specific combating the unreasons ness, mentioned by Mr Star of expecting small investor put all their eggs into or somewhat perilous—basket. . small businesses would helped by the additional fi still) investment trust c.

It really is a typical 7 perversion of the concept ownership for all to try to t it into a rich man's tax shell and Mr Stanley should not surprised at the resultant a avoidance measures incom ated into the Finance Bill Somerset House. PHILIP GOLDENBERG, Prospective Liberal

parliamentary candidate

for Woking, 2 Cherrydale,

Hauden Lane.

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## Winners and losers in mail order reporting season

BY THE FINANCIAL EDITOR

'reemans was the first independent mail rder house to report on last year. Its rofits fell 31 per cent. The Budget made n already bleak outlook appear worse, but n 8 per cent increase in agents helped ecure a bigger market share.

Yesterday, the smaller Empire Stores Bradford) admitted to a 24 per cent drop , £5.6m in profits after sales excluding alue added tax rose by little more than 7 er cent, well below inflation and cloaking volume fall. However, retrenching made r only a mild second-half deterioration.

Like Freemans, Empire complains of pube sector price inflation, and a loss on a urent cost basis explains the unchanged

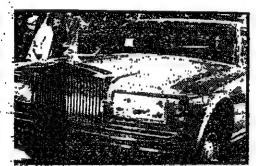
The real loser in terms of market share ough has been Grattan which has been prenching since its profits plunge in 1979. 1979-80 Grattan boosted pre-tax profits nearly f2m so that they came out at 1.22m when it changed its basis of accountg for value added tax from the "accruals" ethod (accounting for VAT at the date of e invoice) to the revenue basis (account-g for VAT as the cash comes in).

The Accounting Standards Committee ld Grattan to change back, which flatters ofits in a period of falling debtors.

Grattan has, however, cut borrowings om £33m to £14m by making once-for-all trenchments in every direction, and this ar should also benefit from lower interest arges and a drop in the provision for bad bis which over-expansion pushed from .7m to £6.3m last year. Moreover, it has m of tax losses, and net profits this year ould be bigger.

So Grattan finished last year with a ment account loss of £644,000, and it is idear how the group will find the capital needs when expansion resumes. Meanille early restoration of the 34 per cent idend cut looks unlikely.

Nevertheless, neither Empire or Grattan ported as badly as feared. Grattan's ares rose 12p to 84p and Empire's by 6p



It appears that North American buyers Rolls-Royce motor cars, of which the ver Spirit (above) is the latest for those o can afford \$109,000 (£53,000), have ided that the recession is over.

this year Rolls-Royce reckons that ited States sales will actually increase by und 350 units to 1,300, representing 40 cent of total output from the Crewe tory. For the first time there is a chance t the United States will exceed this ntry as the most important market for

Ls-Rovces. his should be good news for shareders in the new Rolls-Royce Vickers tpany which is due to produce its first ilts later this month. Not long ago ted States prospects for Rolls-Royce ked ominous.

y all accounts the merger just under ear ago has been accomplished smoothly, there seems little doubt that the 1980 come will meet expectations-which ude a forecast dividend of 17.1p a share is to produce a yield of 101 per cent the shares at 1670.

#### 1 & Duffus

#### creases e dividend

& Duffus, a leading soft commodity ler, has ended the year on target. Profits £23.1m are £2.5m up and suggest that company has moved off a three-year teau. Moreover, this is despite a lackre performance from cocoa trading, once profits mainstay but now accounting for ier less than half of profits.

ubber trading was a strong feature in the half, but tailed off in the second, a pattern common to commodity traders like G & D.

As a result of lower activity in some key areas group turnover fell from £711m to £629m. But changes proposed in the Budget mean that the tax charge was £7.66m compared with £8.97m. Moreover, the elimination of clawback from relief for stock appreciation has allowed £5.99m to be injected into the profit and loss account below the line. So post tax profits leapt from £18.1m to £21.4m,

On this basis earnings rose substantially to 23.2p against 17.1p a share. Emboldened by this, the final dividend is up from 5.71p gross to 6.86p gross, a 20 per cent increase to 12p for the year. With the shares up 10p to 201p last night, the yield is just under 6 per cent. Bearing in mind the slow start to 1981 in the cocoa and coffee markets, and the problems still being encountered in chemicals trading, that looks fair.

#### Glynwed

#### South Africa saves the day

One of the marker's favourite high-yielders bit the dust yesterday when Glynwed cut its final dividend by more than a quarter to leave the total payment down by a fifth. But the fact that the expected profits shortfall had been confined to £2.5m for a pretax total of £16.1m was enough to fuel a 3p rise to 100 p in the share price where the yield is still over 10 per cent.

The Glynwed story is still one of terrible conditions at home. Trading profits have fallen two-fifths offset by booming returns from the South African appliances opera-tion which has lifted trading profits from £3.2m to £8.5m. Glynwed has also suffered the embarrassment of a £1m pretax loss and a further £1.5m below the line provision on ill-conceived Middle East contracts won by one of its smaller mechanical subsidiaries.

Like so many others in miserable steel and engineering sectors Glynwed remains a sound recovery hope, but will have to continue taking the strain for most of this year. Indeed, it may require something dramatic from South Africa to prevent a further profits fall. Meanwhile, at least gearing at around 60 per cent is being held in check and the reduced dividend is more than twice covered.

London Brick

## Still tied to the

building cycle
London Brick made just £3.5m in the second
half of the year against £9.6m. So final
profits are £10.7m against £12.7m.

Volume dipped by 17 per cent as private sector housebuilding demand dried up: only a 19 per cent price increase last April increases a slight seasonal upturn in private building, though the fall in interest rates was too little and too late for London Brick to hope for any real upturn before the end of the

Again, an April price rise, this time of 12.7 per cent will provide relief. For now the balance sheet, though less liquid as higher stocks soaked up cash, is roughly unchanged and stocks are not rising significantly thanks to the 17 per cent cutback in capacity due to the Ridgmont closure and a four-day working week.

Meanwhile, an attempt to break free from the brick cycle through a move into prefabricated buildings went wrong producing losses which can at least be eliminated this

So London Brick remains grimly tied to the cycle which means it should achieve a five-day week and gently falling stocks by the end of this year, interest rates permitting. This will not produce much excitement though it should be enough to support the shares when combined with the view that building materials will be the earliest to react to the end of the recession.

Yet at 81p, up 44p yesterday, the shares yield 7.7 per cent, a discounted rating relative to the sector and one which is likely to persist after the diversification failure and the unexciting record.

#### Economic notebook

#### Hot days ahead in Gabon

from industrialized and developing countries in Libreville, Gabon next month, could become nearly as heated as the streets outside the conference room. The ministers will be in Gabon for the meeting of the interim and development. interim and development com-mittees, which steer the policies of the international Mone-tary Fund (IMF) and the World Bank and watch over the international monetary and financial

Since these committees Jast met—during the annual con-ference of the IMF and World Bank in Washington in the autumn — circumstances have altered for the worse in several

The 11-week old Reagan Administration has begun cutting its aid budget and reshuffling its payments to the various aid agencies. The effect of bis will be substantially to reduce the amount of money avoilable to them, at least for a time, if not indefinitely. Even some of the money which has been allocated for aid purposes is now being blocked by Con-

For some agencies, the com-bined action of the United States Administration and Con-gress could spell disaster. The International Development Association—an arm of the World Bank which lends to the very poorest countries for 50 years, virtually interest-free—is effectively broke and must turn away countries seeking loans. debt problems.

It was bad enough when it was just Britain that was cutting its aid. The United States action is sending shock waves through the international financial institutions. Reugan officals have also binted strongly that they may block the proposed energy fund, which would be run by the World Bank and make loans for Third World energy investment. The developing countries seem certain to react to all this with considerable hostility.

At the same time, fresh fears have begun to surface about the ability of the financial system to recycle the huge petro-dollar surpluses of the oil exporting nations and the capacity of the oil-importing nations of the Third World to go on pilmg up debts.

The current account surplus of the oil exporting states, it is predicted, will reach \$140,000m prenicted, will reach 3.40,000m this year and \$160,000m in 1982. The deficit of the oll-importing Third World nations now seems likely to reach \$80,000m this year (against \$70,000m in 1980) and, perhaps, rise a little further next year. Unlike the sinustor after the Unlike the situation after the 1973-74 oil price rise, relative oil prices are not expected to decline in the coming years. On the contrary, many experts see a continuing rise in the price.

## Interest rate

Another worrying factor is the likelihood of a prolonged world recession. After the recession of 1974-75, the indus-trialized nations recovered strongly. Now, there is a much greater determination to pursue tight monetary and fistal policies until infistions is thought to have been brought firmly under control. This means that any recovery will be only slow and gradual. Growth in the industrial nations will probably be low for some years. On top of all this, the end of cheap energy has been joined by the end of cheap money. During much of the 1970s, the

interest rates on dollar loans were below world inflation levels. In other words, there was a negative real interest Inflation benefited debtors by Inflation benefited debtors by eroding the real value of their ourstanding debt. The debts of the Third World nations were a less serious problem while this process was at work. But for well over a year the cost of Eurodollar loans has exceeded

the rate of inflation. High interest rates have been used widely in the industrial-ized nations to bring down inflation. Prices have been ris-

ing less fast on average in the

Ten years ago, the 12 biggest Third World borrowers' (excluding oil exporters) paid interest of SI, 100m on their external debt. This was equivalent to less than 6 per cent of their export earnings, and represented an exporte interest rate of

red an average interest rate of 3.2 per cent.
In 1980, interest payments reached \$16,000m, giving an average interest rate of about 9 per cent and absorbing 16 per cent of export earnings—a figure which could reach 20 per cent this year, according to bankers Morgan Guaranty

As a result of all these de-

velopments, many low-income and middle-income Third World countries face serious financial difficulties. This is tending to focus attention once again on Third World demands for reforms to the international monetary and financial system. These demands were set out by the developing countries in "The programme of immediate action", issued during the 1979 IMF-World Bank annual meet-

ing in Belgrade.
In a nurshell, the developing countries want changes in the IMF lending policies and a greater share in running the fund: higher aid flows; regular annual allocations of special drawing rights (international money provided through the IMF), and methods of allocation which favour developing countries; and new methods for dealing with countries facing

#### Large trade deficits

The developing countries be-lieve they are being obliged to carry a disproportionate share of the adjustment burden which the world as a whole must make following the profound changes in financial and trade patterns that took place during the 1970s. They are being squeezed between the oil exporting states and the indus-trialized world. As a con-sequence, their trade deficits have soared, and they are ex-pected to make disproportionately painful economic policy

corrections. On top of this, when the IMF makes loans it insists on pre-scribing medicine which may be suitable for treating some domestic economic problems, but not those arising from a fundamental structural problem in the world economy, like that caused by the huge "percent that caused by the huge "petro-

dollar surpluses.
The IMF has accepted that the developing countries have a point, and it has made several important changes in the terms on which it lends and the conditions imposed on bor-rowers. But there are clearly limits to how far it can go given the present complexion of some Western governments.

Sir Geoffrey Howe has made it clear that he expects developing countries to reduce their deficits, even though at the global level, the Third World deficit can only be reduced if there is either a corresponding reduction in the oil producers surplus (which largely depends on oil prices), or an increase in the deficit of the industrialized world.

All of this has become entangled with the longer-term future of the IMF and the kind of institution that it should be in the late 1980s. It is becoming increasingly tailored towards serving the needs of the Third World.

Most developing countries gave it a wide birth during the 1974-79 period because they disliked the conditions it imposed But during the last year Third World nations have become the principal "users" of the fund's resources for the first time since 1947.

The IMF is embarking on an important review of the distribution of fund quotas (which govern the size of loans and votes on policy matters). The votes on policy matters). developing countries want their share of quotas raised from about 33 per cent to 45 per cent or even 50 per cent. Reform of the financial sys-tem appears once again to be building up a head of steam.

Melvvn Westlake

## Hard choices for the building societies

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Mr Leonard Williams, chairman of the Building Societies Association and chief general manager of the Nationwide Building Society, is not particularly noted for being outspoken or controversial. Few building society managers are WHO PAYS THE RECOMMENDED MORTGAGE RATE? spoken or controversial. Few building society managers are. But last week he made the most iconoclastic speech of his career. He predicted the demise of the association's recommended interest rate structure—or "cartel" as most people incorrectly prefer to call it. £13,000-£15,000 The reverberations within the

building society movement are still being felt. None of the heads of the four other leading societies—the Halifax, Abbey National, Leeds Permanent and Woolwich Equitable—share his view. All are aggrieved that there was no consultation before mr Williams delivered his broadside, which does, after all, run counter to official BSA policy, which makes the recom-

policy, which makes the recommended rate structure the linchpin of the industry.

To be fair to Mr Williams,
there seems to be some doubt
about what he said last
Thursday. A report of the
speech circulated by the
Nationwide read: "Mr Williams
said that the biulding societies" said that the biulding societies' interest rate 'cartel' seemed unlikely to stand up much longer under the pressure of external and internal competi-

Delegates who attended the meeting of the Yorkshire County Association of Building Societies, where Mr Williams was speaking, do not recall this particular flavour to what he

said.

However, it was the precis from the Nationwide, the third largest society in the country) highlighting this element in the speech, which made the headlines. It has undoubtedly assured Mr Williams a rough passage at today's regular meet-ing of the council of the BSA. He will be asked to explain, and possibly defend, his views that the cartel has, effectively, re-

ceived notice to quit.

But if Mr Williams has expressed a rather extreme view, most people both within and without the building society movement would not disagree with the proposition that the building society interest rate agreement, if it is to survive at all, must be changed. At present it is little more than an after-image of a pattern of interest rates which no longer exists.

For how can one talk of a recommended rate structure when recommended rates are available to so few? Borrowers who live in the South-east and who we in the south-east and London area in particular have every reason to be angry every time they hear a building society leader discussing the apparent sanctity of the recom-mended mortgage interest rate. It might seem that the mortgage interest rate is 13 per cent (when the latest cut comes into effect on May 1), but for half of all new borrowers this is nor

the case; and for those who select the Nationwide as many as 70 per cent of new borrowers will pay over the odds for their bome loan. The advent of differential in-

terest rates for larger advances in the seventies has already totally eroded the concept of a recommended mortgage interest rate. The investment side is little

better. How can there be such a thing as a recommended inrestment rate when savers are now faced with such a wide variety of investment opportunities? A check in the window of one of the larger building

societies yesterday showed that the society was offering no less than 19 different rates, according to the length of the invest ment term and notice period.

In the industry as a whole nearly a fifth of all balances (the net amount of money which stays on the books) is now invested in other than the traditional share accounts.

Most of the money coming

in at above the recommended rate is in term shares (locked away for two to six years), or the later variants which allow earlier withdrawal facilities in order to attract more stable money into societies. As long as they could charge higher terest rates on large loans, the societies could fairly easily "match" their abnormal lending and borrowing.
But that was before the clear

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ing banks began to muscle into the mortgage market. They are now offering mortgages on larger properties at rates which are undeniably more attractive than those offered by the building societies.

It is, for example, possible to get a Scottish Life endowment-type Citibank home Ioan for \$30,000 at an interest rate of only 14 per cent. Compare that with the rates—shown in the table—charged by the big five building societies (to which another per cent must be added for an endowment mort-

The interest rate agreement, if it is to survive at all, must be changed?

At present the banks' threat may be more psychological than real, but it cannot be ignored. Nor can the speed of the banks' progress. Barclays, for example, has already lent its 1981 quota of £200m and is now pressing on toward £500m.

By concentrating on the upper end of the market the clearing banks are also digging deep into the building societies' jampot and to protect their interests at this end of the marker the building societies will be forced to reconsider some of their more expensive. differential interest rates.

At the same time, there is no doubt that some building society leaders are embarrassed that they are now charging high interest rates on what are only moderate loans. The average building society advance is now just under £15,000—the level at which borrowers are pushed into the "wealthy" category and asked to pay more.

quick off the mark to ask for indexation of the mortgage tax relief ceiling and the like it has

been slow in taking steps to: adjust its own lending policies in line with inflation.

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But if the societies are forced by commercial and social pressures to bring their higher rates down, perhaps to the recommended rate level for new buyers at least, then whereis the money to come from to, pay for the higher investment rates? One approach which could be developed would be to pay less than the recom-mended rate to people who use, their building society accounts. like banks, rather than for longterm saving.

But any moves on the investment front immediately run: into the other pressures which societies are facing on this front, notably from the National Savings movement with its index-linked savings schemes and higher interest rates on conventional savings.

If the societies cannot with conviction cut their investment; rates, but equally cannot permit; the differential mortgage in a terest rate structure to continue; to make such inroads, what

The answer has to be higher mortgage interest rates for all. One option then for the Building Societies Association would be to fix rates which reflect the ability of the biggest societies to operate on smaller margins than the rest which itself would splinter the cartel. It is argu-able that the association has been too accommodating to the smaller and medium societies.

Caught in a pincer between intense National Savings' com-petition for investments and the growing bank pressure on the lending front, it is time for the building society industry to jettison the theory that it is an homogeneous movement. It is not; yet this is what the recommended interest rate structure is intended to reflect. Maybe Mr Williams was tact-

less in the way in which he brought the subject into the open. Had he talked perhaps of a switch to a "marker" of base" rate structure to replace the recommended rate system it would have more cosmetic appeal. It would pave the way just as easily for a split in the rate structure beafford more, and those which cannot, but keep the illusive of solidarity, which is so in portant to the Building Society Association.

Margaret Stone

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## Business Diary: Henley, money and mpg • Italian saving graces

ege, which claims to be ain's oldest business school, o take delivery of a brand Volvo.

his apparently unpatriotic is however, quite the use: the car is in part-payt of £12,000 in fees Henley 3 get for teaching ten highrs from the Swedish car-

like Jones, director of the rnational management ol at Henley, has more than rpational reason to be pleased with new business. It is not only first time that the Swedes e bought British—it is also in the eye for the French, vo having patronized the EAD school near Paris up

olvo chose Henley after a ping trip here in January. he Volvo executives are desd for tailor-made courses 1 at Henley and in their own ces around the world. There the new car, a 264

bo, is headed was not so r last night, whether it will necessary for the Henley ins to produce a study of best it might be used. fter all, principal Tom npner's favourite car just

iley Administrative Staff & At the end of each year "Giovanni Rossi", the typical Italian (the equivalent of our "John Smith"), receives a sheet of complicated figures with his last quarter's bank statement. They are intended to show the state of his account between each transaction so that interest can be calculated.

In Italy current accounts earn interest like deposit accounts, so most people do not bother to tie their money down on deposit.

"Rossi" probably does not understand anything about the calculations except for the figure at the foot of the page, which shows the interest with which his account will be credited.

But what he has now begun to understand is that he is getting only 10 or 11 per cent gross, while inflation has been running at more than 20 per cent. What he receives net is even less, because the government takes a flat 20 per cent of the interest as tax.

As a result he has been switching his savings elsewhere, particularly into tax-free treasury bonds and certificates, where he can reckon on up to 18 per cent. This still does not provide a full hedge against inflation, but it has been worrying the banks in general and

Ellen Rocco (right) is the publisher and co-founder of The Creative Handbook, the latest edition of which is out in the shops today. Although Ms Rocco has been bringing out the handbook since 1973, this year's is a special one year's is a special one because it is on general sale for the first time—it has been confined to specialist bookshops up will now. The price is £18.50.

The handbook has the names, addresses and telephone num-bers of thousands of contacts in 16 categories ranging from ndvertising consultants to pro-fessional organizations and business emergency services.

tor of their association, said that while in the 1970s the money held in customers' accounts had risen steadily, early in 1980 it had started to fall. Thought the trend was reversed again in the search half of the year the the second half of the year, the total increase in savings banks accounts in 1980 was only 12.3 per cent, representing

saving" in real terms. The signs are that the trend will worsen this year, because in January alone deposits fell in nominal terms by 2 per cent.



particularly the savings banks.

At a recent meeting Taormina, of savings banks held in Giorgo Vercillo, deputy director of their association, said that the savings banks are studying a scheme for accounts which would bear no interest but be adjusted periodically for inflation. That might just catch inflation. That might just catch with "Rossi" who, unless he has enough funds to buy property, knows of no legal way of even matching inflation.

He feels out of depth in a stock market which can go down as quickly as it goes up, so he goes in for the football pools, which have been enjoy-ing record takings, and spends what he can on consumer goods—car sales in February were 14 per cent up on those 12

the author Anthony Mockley is having with Oxford University Press over its rejection of his book on Haile Selassie spurred fellow author Peter Hill to get in touch with me. While Mockler advertised in The Spectator for similarly aggrieved authors to contact him, Hill's revenge took the form of guying OUP in his novel The Cuban Connection, which Robert Hale published

My note about the fight which

Hill, who wrote the novel under the pen name of Peter Pembroke, had an Olevel English language textbook killed by OUP, after a change of editor there.
In The Cuban Connection, a don called Horace Muir curses
"that bunch of old women inWalton Street" after a call
from a "Michael Morning" at

cancelling a history of EngLit. There is a Michael Morrow at OUP and he is head of a department which includes textbooks on English. Let us hope verisimilitude

does not go too far. Before Muir can fashion his revenge, too far. Mind you, give it another

he is bumped off, although not, I hasten to add, by OUP. I know things are had in the publishing business these days, but that would be taking things a little

poration, Ian MacGregor, will be in New York next week to collect this year's Business Statesman Award made each year by the Harvard Business School Club of Greater New York. The award is for the recipi-

the hobbling British Steel Cor-

ents' "significant contribution and leadership in business". Previous winners include David Rockefeller and Henry Ford II. MacGregor is at the centre of a smouldering controversy in the United States over his

role in the Standard Oil of California \$4000m bid for AMAX, the American mining and metals company of which he is a director. The Harvard award, according to one of his aides, takes the form of a "rather splendid" engraved crystal bowl.

Pity it is not a crystal ball,

given the state of the steel

industry these days. How appropriate, I thought, as I passed a sign at a building in Nine Elms, south London, yesterday. It pro-claimed that the demolition contractor Rumble \*.

Ross Davies

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What is the answer? Vercillo months earlier.

#### FINANCIAL NEWS

Stock markets

## Stores and oils lead way in sudden recovery

Equities bounced back into week, was well sought after, stock shortages, saw renewed favour again vesterday supported by strong demand from Banks again stepped back by good figures and an encourinstitutional investors.

Jobbers expressed some surprise at the strength and suddenness of the recovery after marking prices easier at the outset in the wake of Tuesday's disappointing banking figures.

The Soviet Union's decision to give Poland more time to sort nught its problems and the ending of the Warsaw Pact military manoeuvres obviously improved sentiment, but dealers were not sure that this was the sole reason for the sudden surge in demand.

market was again talking of a further cut in MLR soon and signs of an end to the reces-

Stores and oils made a strong showing and investors also treated to a large list of trading statements that served to create further interest. New time buying, shead of the long three, week Easter account which starts on Friday, was another reason for the

increased activity.
So with Wall Street opening several points higher in resumed trade the FT Index was able to produce its biggest one-day rise in more than 15 months when it closed 13.6 higher at 539.4.

Although the rest of the mar-kett shrunged off Tuesday's banking figures, government securities turned in another lacklustre performance. Jobbers reported little inquiry with prices fluctuating in narrow limits as they attempted to find their new levels. In longs, the list closed mostly unchanged while at the shorter and prices, recovered early losses to close around \$1/16 up on the day.

around 21/10 up on the day.
Leading industrials made a strong recovery. ICI jumped 12p to 26-1p. Beechamp 5p to 182p, Unilever 13p to 521p, Fisons 5p to 155p, Hawker Siddley 12p to 32-1p. British Aerospace 6p to 203p. Dunlop 2p to 68p and Bowater 8p to 253p, the last chand of figures part week. Glazo, also reporting next pretax and earnings are net.

Banks again stepped back into the limelight after the overnight counterbid of £500M by Hong kong & Shanghai Bank for Royal Bank of Scotland. Shares of Royal Bank opened yesterday at 180p before profit taking and fears of a reference to the Monopolies Commission saw them plummet to 160p. After active two way trade they closed at 172p— net rise on the day of 4p. Hongkong & Shanghai ended 2p better at

Even so, with the banking This latest turn of events also sparked off renewed speculasparked off renewed specula-tive demand for Bank of Scotland which rose 10p to 344p. Among the big four clearing banks trade was generally quiet as prices advanced in line with the rest of the market. Barclays expanded 9p to 405p, National Westminster 3p. to 353p, Lloyds 7p to 345p and Midland 5p to 311p.

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A. G. Stanley (F) 50.4(38.2)
Henry Sykes (F) 22.2(20.8)
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demand with sentiment helped by good figures and an encouraging statement from BICC, up aging statement from Bicc, up 17p at 252p. Improved profits also led to a 12p rise in Lec Refrigeration at 140p. Else-where, GEC rose 10p to 676p, Plessey 11p to 334p and Thorn EMI 10p to 360p.

In stores, better than expected figures lifted Grattan Warehouses 14p to 84p along with Empire Stores, 6p stronger at 136p, also after figures. Peters Stores, however, retreated 8p 135p, but the original bidder, to 110p on news of a profits Standard Chartered, lost 5p at set-back. Comment saw Debenhams rise 4p to a new high of 98p and buyers also came in for Woolworths, 41p dearer

Among the long list of companies reporting, favourable banks trade was generally quiet as prices advanced in line with the rest of the market. Barclays expanded 9p to 405p, National Westminster 3p. to 353p, Lloyds 7p to 345p and Widland 5p to 311p.

Electricals, still plagued by pantes reporting, favourable trading news helped Dowding & Mills 1p to 25p, North Atlantic Securities 1p to 127p, British Dredging 4p to 26p, Christies International 2p to 232p, Gill & Duffus 11p to 201p, S. Jerome 11p to 105p and Portals 10p to 458p.

Latest results

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But the market was not so pleased with figures from Dorada, down 3p at 32p, or Royal Worcester, 2p lighter at

Engineering shares returned to favour with GKN 3p higher at 146p and Glynwed 3p higher at 100 p after figures. Trading statements lifted Aurora

Bid favourite MDW Holdings the subject of further was speculation yesterday as shares goined 8p to 99p, Shares have risen 12p in the last month but directors firmly deny that they have had any approaches or

4p to 34p, and Greenbank In-dustrial 5p to 27p, while Senior Engineering held steady at 24p. Only Bifurcated Engineering failed to capitalize, dipping 2p to 31p. Other brights spots included Haden Carrier, 10p up at 276p, and R. Cartwright, 4p higher at 42p. higher at 42p.

Higgs & Hill celebrated a re-turn to profits with a 14p rise to 120p, and London Brick

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made ground with a 41p in-crease to 81p after figures. Blue Circle managed a 2p increase to 414p and speculative attention helped IDC to a 7p bonus

at 87p. British Sugar, still fighting off the advances of S. & W. Berisford, was 8p heavier at 311p in expectation of announcement from Berisford later in the week. London Shop Property remained calm at 135p after its £4.9m cash call to shareholders, while Harrisons & Crosfield leapt 360 to 850p excited by a Kuwaiti

purchase at 10 per cent.

Meanwhile, holiday shares continued to show relief at the Chancellor's decision not to levy an increased VAT charge on-package tours, Saga railed 5p to 315p and Horizon Travel 15p Oils returned to favour again yesterday with institutional support in a thin market pushing prices steadily higher. Burmah, with figures next week, saw heavy new time demand as the shares rebounded for to 156p. KCA International, giving fur-ther consideration to recent

figures, advanced 4p to 186p. Premier was another bright spot, improving 4!p to 84p after the latest drilling report from its Warradong project in Aus-tralia, BP hardened 14p to 376p, Shell 14p to 362p, Ultramar 11p to 481p, Lasmo 15p to 549p and Tricentrol 8p to 270p.

Equity turnover for April 7 was £148,402m (bargains 22,105). Active stocks, accord-ing to the Exchange Telegraph, were Royal Bank of Scotland, Horizon Travel, Burmah, MDW Holdings, Bowater, GEC and Lec Refrigeration.

Traditional options: Dealers reported moderate activity yes-terday. Calls were made in Rothmans International at 81p, South Pacific Properties at 14p and First National Finance at Sip. Puts were arranged in GKN and Royal Bank of Scot-land, and doubles in ICL and Shell

Traded options: A total of 1,097 contracts was recorded. Brooke Bond Liebig sttracted six, BP 140, Courts 39, ICI 159, Lasmo 18 and Racal 38.

## Aurora hints at upturn after £2m decline in profits

Aurora Holdings, the steel ordinary item of £5.6m relates and engineering combine out to the cost of slimming the together by Mr Robert Atkintogether by Mr son, hioted at an upturn from the depths of the recession yesterday. It was enough to add 4p to the shares to take them to 34p compared with their all-time low of 19p earlier this

The group said there had been "some signs of a slight improvement in inquiries and order intake", but added that it would be too late for the current year.

In the year to December, Aurora saw a decline in pretax profits from £3.8m to £1.8m in profits from £3.8m to £1.8m in turnover from £103.5m to £136.4m, though this was entirely due to the inclusion of Edgar Allen Balfour, acquired for £14m in 1979, for a full year for the first time. The final dividend is passed, leaving the interim dividend of 2.2p gross as the payment for the

workforce from 7,500 to 5,500. To pay for this Aurora dipped into reserves for some £4.1m, leaving an attributable loss of £1.1m. This cut shareholders' funds from £26.8m to £21.7m, though borrowings also fell by 55m to leave gearing unchanged at around 100 per cent, including the preference capital

of £8.7m. The group suffered during the year from the familiar recessionary problems and from interest rates-interest charges rook a £6.4m bite out of profits against £3.8m last time. At the trading level profits were up from £7.6m to £8.2m.

The bright spots were Canada and Australia, the latter producing £1m pretax Commenting on the slimming process, Mr Atkinson said it was probably largely over, though there could be some further disposals.

#### Christies ahead for year, but margins tighten

By Our Financial Staff

Christies International, the auction house, saw pre-tax profits rise by 16.4 per cent to 27.04m in 1980, on group turnover of £31m, up from £24.8m. Dividends have risen virtually in line with profits to 10p gross for the years to December 31. for the year to December 31. Some £162m worth of goods passed through the company's

passed through the company's auction rooms in 1980, 29 per cent more in value terms than in 1979. However, increasing competition, mainly with Sotheby Parke Bernet, inflation and a strong pound trimmed margins. The New York salerone did well with auction saleroom did well, with auction sales of \$130m against \$70m, and has now more than covered its start-up costs. The outlook there and in London and

Geneva remains good, the group

A new salesroom opens in Amsterdam this autumn, for a capital outlay of £1m. The Rome salestroom is being reorganized after a poor start.

Net interest received last year rose from £661,000 to £822,000

but exchange losses increased from £106,000 to £395,000. Au extraordinary debit of £114,000 reflects the £257,000 premium paid in the £750,000 purchase price for stamp dealer Robson Lowe, and a £143,000 deferred

tax credit on stock appreciation relief.

Mr John Floyd, the chairman, said that though international art markets were buoyant, rising competition meant 1981

high-security uses.

The new United States papermill is due to open in mid-1982,

#### Modest advanc at Senior after strong first half By Our Financial Staff

Second-half

Worcester

Royal Worcester, the

china to electronics group,

dropped back to its sto-profits pattern of recent y

with full year profits lower

Sales rose slightly to £4:

from £43.6m last time, w

profits moved up by 34 per

to £3.6m. The final dividen

unchanged at 8.14p gr making a total payment 12.2p gross, for the year

Profits and sales were see

at the halfway stage but

decline in consumer den severely reduced orders for

of the group's companies

July onwards. Second

profits were well down on

and lower orders have tinued into this year.

Operating profits at We

Electronics were static at £

on sales 52m ahead at £17

The moratorium on def

spending, destocking and petitive prices combined to

duce overall margins. But

division is off the bottom

recovery expected in the se half of this year. Spode, the fine china porcelain company, saw on

ing profits decline by £20

to £2.3m on sale: slimme £24.9m. The parallel fal consumer demand in

United States, a big marke

china products, also hit tra

Redundancies have been ;

in this division and short working is in force at

plants.

January 3.

16 per cent at £3.16m.

By Margareta Pagano

fall at

Royal

Senior Engineering was able to keep up the 25 per pretax profits advance of first half, but finished with profits fractionally a of the previous year.

Pretax profits were £5.0% the year to December, as £5.06m on sales £10m high £70.5m. The final gross dend is unchanged at making a total for the ye

2.14p gross.

Trading profits rose to from £5.1m but were rec by an extraordinary deb-£299,000 for redundancy Higher Interest charges £628,000 represent the cu-financing a loan for the \$ US Boiler Tube com acquisicion in 1979. Ful-figures are included. Sales overseas subsidiaries £9.3m and trading profits

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States loan next year.

Looking ahead, the group sees
little sign of change in Britain to £834,000 against The recession hit the gr four trading divisions yet, but hopes for some im-provement in the second half of 1931. May onwards. Demand pressure on margins both particularly bad in the quarter, Professor Ro Smith, the chairman, said.

## EICC 1980 Results and Final Dividend

PROFIT BEFORE TAXATION up 14% to £74.6 million due to continuing

EXPORTS increased by 28% to £243.5 million.

FINANCIAL POSITION improved further with borrowings reduced from 46% to 35% of shareholders' funds.

EARNINGS PER SHARE up 29% to 23.6p.

DIVIDENDS increased by 10% to 9.43p per share.

CURRENT COST earnings per share at 13.7p cover dividend cost 1.5 times.

OUTLOOK-despite the uncertain economic conditions in the UK, the relative strength of the Group and in particular its overseas spread and export markets should enable it to continue to make satisfactory progress.

#### Group results for the year ended 31 December

HISTORIC COST BASIS Sales	1980 £m 1364.8	1979 £m 1189.9	The final ordinary dividend of 6.40p per share (1979: 5.82p per share) will, if approved,
Operating profit Finance charges	86.6 12.0	76.8 11.2	be paid to ordinary shareholders registered in the books of the Company on 22 May
Profit before taxation Taxation	74.6 28.6	65.6 28.4	1981. Warrants will be posted on 29 June 1981, payable 1 July 1981.
Profit after taxation Minority interests	46.0 9.8	37.2 9.8	The complete press release is available from the Secretary,
Attributable profit  CURRENT COST BASIS	36.2	27.4	BICC Limited, P.O. Box No. 5, 21 Bloomsbury Street,
Profit before taxation Attributable profit	55.1 21.1	31.0 6.6	WC1B 3QN. The 1980 annual
EARNINGS PER SHARE	p	p	report will be posted to share and loan stock holders on 30 April 1981.
Historic cost basis Current cost basis	23.6 13.7	18.3 4.4	The annual general meeting will be held at 21 Bloomsbury Street,
DIVIDENDS PER SHARE	9.43	8.57	London WC1, on 28 May 1981 at 12 noon.

1980 results exclude a special tax credit of £10.6m and extraordinary losses of £3.5m.

Cable-makers in U.K. and overseas Civil, electrical and mechanical engineering and construction worldwide Manufacturers of electrical and electronic components

## Overseas strength lifts Portals

By Our Financial Staff
Portals Holdings, the Hamp-shire water treatment group and banknote supplier, increased its pretax profits by 9.4 per cent to £12m in 1980 with the help of flourishing overseas trade.

In Britain, demand fell steeply but total group orders ended the year to December 31 on a strong note, Mr John Sheffield, the chairman, said. The dividend has been raised by 11.4 per cent to 17.5p gross. Group turnover rose by a quarter to £126.5m. Water treatment and engineering remain the group's largest business, with sales of £96m,

Higgs and

Hill results

boost shares

Shares of building group Higgs and Hill jumped 14p to a new high of 120p yesterday after results showing a recovery

from losses of £908,000 to pre-tax profits of £2.1m, and a divi-dend increase of nearly 25 per cent to 6.86p gross for the year to December 31.

Last autumn Higgs and Hill beat off a £10m bid approach from cables group BICC, worth 110p a share.

Last year's recovery largely

reflects the absence of provi-sions on contracts—in 1979 the group set aside £2.5m from trading profits against a civil

engineering project in Trinidad on which it still has claims out-

standing-and the absence of lossmaking businesses.
The group is now concentrate

ing on construction,

where demand was nearly halved, and profits advanced by only 3.5 per cent to £5.3m. water plant fell particularly steeply. Overseas, high its sterling reduced margins.
Substantial orders from Nigeria and good Middle Eastward demand helped to make up the division's shortfall in United Kingdom orders.
Papermaking provided £35.3m of sales, up from £29.1m, and £6.6m profit

of sales, up from £29.1m, and £6.6m profit against £5.6m. Demand was steady and the strong pound reduced imported raw material costs. The group against £76m, but suffered makes banknotes and supplies

Briefly

to raise £721,000, underwritten by Equity Capital for Industry which will hold 12.5 per cent of enlarged Capital.

Walker & Homer: Turnover for half-year to January 31, 1981, £3.56m (£3.51m). Pretax profit, £42,000 (against loss of £169,000 for half-year to January 31, 1980 and loss of £820,000 for full year, 1979-80). Group should remain profitable in second baif-year. Habitat Design Holding: Net sales for 23 weeks to January 11, 1981, £37.73m (£30.51m). Pretax profits, £2.29m (£2.78m). Chairman regards prospects to be "remarkably good" in the circumstances capital.

Ruo Estates: Warren Plantation

ITT Sheraton Finance N

## Amax and Socal the second time around

What is going on between Amax and Socal? There are uncanny resemblances between this latest bid-if it should be called that-by Socal for Amax and the attempt in 1979. On stress that 1981 will be an exboth occasions the oil company cellent year, What this means in dollars is has been repulsed by the Amax board because the price is sup-posed to be too low, and on both occasions the Socal board that the outcome will fall between 1979's \$365m net earnings and 1980's \$470m. That said, profits have dropped before, as in 1977. Then they were \$566m compared with \$149m the year before

The Amax position is predictable. Socal is offering this time about \$4,000m (£1,818m) in total or up to \$86 an Amax share, twice the 1979 bid. Amax says this is too cheap. There are two reasons for adopting that position. One is that Amax's assets are understated. As the result of heavy investment throughout the 1970s the American mining giant has huge untapped resources which New

seems to have retired without

firing another shot.

as \$10,000m. Amax has taken the strategic view that natural resourcesbound to appreciate in real terms over the next two

York analysts value at as much

The second line of defence for Amax is its earnings re-cord. Net earnings have soared from \$52m in 1971 to \$470m last year and earnings per share from \$1.33 to \$7.48. This is one the best records among

mining companies.

But the chink in the armour is that this year will not be so good. Amax is at pains to

Amdahl Corporation—set up in the United States 10 years ago to compete directly with one of the world's leading computer makers, IBM—is today listed on London Stock Exchange. Some 15 per cent of group's equity is already hold by shareholders in the United Kingdom, France and Switzerland. AG Stanley Holdings: Pretax profits were £2.2m against £2.9m in 1980 while turnover rose by from £38.2m to £50.4m. Final dividend, has been held at 2.14p. making a total of 3.57p gross, same as previous year.

Right issues: London Shop Property Trust has proposed a £4.8m rights issue, 9 per cent convertible unsecured loan stock 1994/99 on £1 stock for three ordinary slures, Sterling Credit: Rights issue for £2m proposed. Pretax loss last year was £1.48m but board expects improvement. Peat Marwick Mitchell has reviewed working capital which it deems sufficient for group's requirements. British Dredging: Pretax profit of £510,000 last year (£405,000 loss). Turnover staticat £11.3m. No dividend, Proposed

**Mining** 

S149m the year before,
But it is now proposed to
inject the 25 per cent holding in Mount Newman, the rich

Western Australia iron ore de-

posit, and Amax's other assets,

mainly of an exploratory nature,

Whether one adonts the cynical view that Amax is trying

to talk up its share price in the face of the Socal bid, or

that the Australian restructur-ing is sensible and a fair recog-

nition of the company's potential, Socal's behaviour remains

will the Amax directors and executives desert en masse if Socal succeeds? Or does Socal cel that \$100 a share, a possible knock-out blow, will be seen

by its shareholders as too

It would help everybody if the oil company made its

Michael Prest Mining Correspondent

into a new company.

difficult to understand. Why should Socal worr whether the bid is friendly

much?

intentions clear.

Ruo Estates: Warren Plantation Holding has disposed of its entire holding in company, 140,500 shares (10.36 per cent). Peters Stores: Sales for half-year to December 27, E5.58m [E4.5m). Pretax profit £166,000 (£772,000). Eps 3.0p (15.8p). Interim held at 2.14p gross. Board does not expect remainder of year to continue at this reduced level.

Yorkshire Chemicals: Turnover for 1980 totalled £21.512m (£24.570m), Pretax loss £859.000 (profit £98.000). Loss per share 7.3p (earnings 2.7p). No dividend proposed for year (4.843p net last time).

#### BICC up 14pc as exports improve A substantial rise in exports

construction group, last year. of heavy redundancy costs.

gross takes the total for the year up by 10 per cent to 13.47p gross.

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and improved productivity in the United Kingdom led to a 14 per cent profits increase to 574.6m at BICC, the cable and Sir Raymond Pennock, chair-man, said that the 1980 figure was achieved despite a 19m adverse swing in copper prices. The figures also took account A final dividend of 9.14p

April 1, 1951

#### M. J. H. Nightingale & Co. Limited 27/28 Lovat Lane London EC3R 8EB Telephone 01-621 1212 The Over-the-Counter Market

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93	88	Deborah Services	97	_	5.5	5.7	4.
126	33	Frank Hursell	104	_	6.4	6.2	3.
110	39		51	_	1.7	3.3	22
110	69	George Blair	69	_	3.1	5.5	_
110	59	Jackson Group	107	_	6.9	6.1	4,8
124	103	James Burrough	119	_	7.9	6.6	9.5
<b>3</b> 34	244	Robert Jenkins	320	_	31.3	9.8	_
35	50	Scruttons "A"	51		ت. د د	10.4	3.7
224	209	Torday Limited	209	-1	15.1	7.2	3.6
23	8	Twinlock Ord	101	+1			
90	69	Twinlock 15% ULS	72		15.0	20.8	
36	35	Unilock Holdings	45		3.0	6.6	6.9
103	81	Walter Alexander	101		5.7	5.6	5.6
263	181		54xd	_	13.1	5.2	4.3

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#### ICCO talks on buffer stock rules

International Cocoa Organisa-tion (ICCO) talks on the draft buffer stock rules for the new international agreement will remain merely exploratory until the Ivory Coast decides whether to join the accord, ICCO delegates and cocoa traders reported in London yester-

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The drafting group has made price a Mic. — Specie 11, 20-7 (A), 20-7 (A), 20-7 (A), 34-7 (A), good progress but the text can still be materially altered since final approval will be left to the council under the new agreement, which may or may not include the Ivory Coast.

The informal talks on draft
rules are open to all members of the present council, as well as those who participated in negotiations of the new agree-ment in Geneva last November and will be chaired by ICCO

Hackman. Under the new agreement. when buying the buffer stock manager would give first refusal to the larger exporting members.

executive director Mr Kwesi

#### Eurosyndicat ·

The Eurosyndicat Index on European share prices was put provisionally at 151.51 on April 7 against 152.03 a week earlier.

#### Discount market

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St-rling 99.4
US dollar 100.6
Canadian dollar 85.3
Schilling 126.7
Belgian franc 108 3
Danish kroner 89 7
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Guilder 112.5
French franc 86.9

It had fooled to be a day of It had looked to be a day of small surplus vesterday and money certainly cheapened steadily as the session progressed, but some houses needed help. Houses took money at rates that came down from 113 to 11 per cent over the course of the morning. There was little further movement in the first part of the afternoon, but a late flow often allowed books to be ruled off very cheaply. Anal balances being taken within a broad band from 5 to 9 per cent.

#### Foreign exchange report

Although rallying late in the day behind United States short covering, the dollar still showed appreciable falls against most other major currencies yesterday.

S2.1925 overnight. At one stage during the med-session, the pound reached \$2.2160.

The traded-weighted index also moved up, with the final calcula-Suggestions that United States

reached \$2.2160.

The traded-weighted index also moved up, with the final calculation at 99.4, compared with 93.9 on Tuesday.

Dealers said sterling was still holstered by Tuesday's rise in bank lending statistics, which appear to have ruled out any early cut in MLR.

The D-mark continued its re-Suggestions that United States prime rates may be housted significantly in the short-term failed to stimulate the United States currency which came under pressure when other major currencies, taking their cue from the easing of tension in Poland, encountered strong demand.

Sterling ended the day 95 points ahead at \$2,2030, compared with The D-mark continued its re-covery, although below its best at 2.1250 (2.1380), Swiss francs strengthened at 1.9340 (1.9517),

#### Sterling: Spot and Forward Other Market rates (day's range) April 8 52: 1980-2175 52: 6010-6220 5 17-217 76: 40-907 14: 68-79k 1 27:85-2915 9 4:65-71 129-12 00k 1: 002-082 10: 20-28k 455-75 3: 00-28sch 4:244-2942 1 Market rates (close) April 8, \$2,2025-2035 \$2,6096-6105 5,20-21f1 76,80-70f 14,78-79k 1,2845-2860p 3 months 1 70-1.80c disc 2-13-3.30c disc 2-13-c prem 140-160c disc 1010-11950re disc 129-0 disc 190-245c disc 110-44-2c disc 150-25c disc 110-44-2c disc 5-5-c prem-75ore d 76-34c disc 983-1050ore disc 5-70-5-10y prem 6gro prem-1gro d 4-3c prem Markets I menth 5 0.40-0.50c disc 5 1.05-1.15c disc 1c prem-par 90-110c disc 180-540ore disc 14-30p disc lapf prem-lapf disc 8c prem-80c disc 125-142r disc 25ore prem-35ore d 1-14c disc 270-350ore disc 230-1 75y prem 2gro prem-1gro d 2-1c prem New York Montroal Amsterdem Brusset Copenhagen Dublin Frankfurt Lisbon Madrid Milian Oslo Par is Stuckholm Tokyo Vienna Zurich 1 2845-2860p 4.691;-701;m 126.00-20e 159.20-40p 2330-321r 11.961;-981;k 11.07-081 10.23-24k 470-71y

**Dollar Spot** 

Sovereigns (new): \$127-129 (£57.5-58.50).

Rates

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470-71y 33.02-07sch 4 28-29f

Effective exchange rate compared to 1975 was 99.4%, up 0.5%,

Bank of Morgan England Guaranty Index Changes

**EMS Currency Rates** 

112.5 86.9 53.6 143.2

Based on trade weighted changes from Washington agreement December, 1971. (Bank of England Index 190).

Belgian franc Danish krone 7.91917 7.97527 German D-mark 2.84502 2.53645 Freuch franc 5.9826 5.96220 Dutch guilder 2.81318 2.81037 Irish punt 6.682145 0.084298 Italian lira 1282.92 1283.29

Euro-\$ Deposits

(%) calls, 14%-15%; seven days.
12%-12%; one month, 14%-14%; three months, 15%-15%; six months, 15-15%.

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Money Market Rates (Last changed 10/3/91)

1.7140-1.7160 1.1841-1.1844 2.3539-2.3550 34.99-34.72 6.6700-6.6750 2.1245-2.1255 87.15-87.30 86.06-86.11 1058-1060 5.4300-5.4350 5.0150-5.0175 6.6400-6.6450 212.99-213.10 15 0356-15.0450 1 9339-1.9345 Clearing Banks Base Rate 12% Discount Mkt Loans % Oversight: High 111; Week Fixed: 114 Treasury Bills (Dis%)
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New York, April 8.—American Telephone was a standout and led uther telephone shares higher but overall the market managed only overall the market managed only a small gain in moderate trading. The Dow Jones industrial average gained 0.54 to finish at 993.43. Advances led declines eight to seven as turnoverquickened to 48.000,000 shares from 44,540,000 yesterday.

Analysts said takeover speculation and bargain hunting after the recen dip in stock praces contributed to the slightly firmer tone. But they said investors were

The Wall Street and Canadian stock prices given in the table relate to Tuesday's close. Later publication is caused by the change to British Summer Time. This will continue until Eastern Daylight Time begins in the United States on April 26,

awaiting some clear sign about the outlook for interest rates.

ATT was again the volume leader, climbing 1; to 53, on turnover of 1.4m shares on top of a 1; point rise yesterday. General Telephone gained ; to 27, United Telephone ; to 18. Continental Telephone ; to 18. Continental Telephone ; to 12; and Rochester Telephone ; to 21; in heavy trading.

General Electric gained ; to 65; it reported improved first quarter net. Caterpillar Tractor jumped 3; to 65; despite drops in first-quarter net and unit sales. Penn Central preferred rose 3; to 82. American Financial bought 650,000 of the preferred for \$52m. awaiting some clear sign about the

US commodities

New York, April 8 — SILVER for April closed at \$31.00 in ounce, down and closed at \$31.00 in ounce, down as cents of years of the first of the control of t US commodities

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Foreign exchange —Sterling, spot 2 1943 (2 1960), three months, 2.2135 (2.2136); Canadian dellar, 1,17,00 (1.1847). The Dow Jones and tommedity index was 415,43 (41) (4). The futures index was 425,64 (42),821. The Dow Jones averages.—Indus-Frais. (93.4) (192.89); (ransportation, 45.92) (45.489); utilities, 110.864 (10).10: 63 stocks, 389.04 (10).73; (ransportation, 7.5); (numerical decomposite, 7.5); (numerical decomposite); (n 26 80-26.83c: Dec 27.43c: Jan. 27.65c. March. 28.25:28.35. May. 28.70-28.80c: July. 29.25-26.50c 28.70-28.80c: July. 29.25-26.50c 26.70-28.80c: July. 29.25-26.50c 26.70-28.80c: July. 7538.50-238.80; Aug. 5230-90-259.50c 26.70-26.70-26.70-26.70-26.70-26.70-26.70-26.70-26.70-26.70-26.70-26.70-26.70-26.70-26.70-26.70-26.70-26.70-26.70-26.70-26.70-26.70-26.70-26.70-26.70-26.70-26.70-26.70-26.70-26.70-26.70-26.70-26.70-26.70-26.70-26.70-26.70-26.70-26.70-26.70-26.70-26.70-26.70-26.70-26.70-26.70-26.70-26.70-26.70-26.70-26.70-26.70-26.70-26.70-26.70-26.70-26.70-26.70-26.70-26.70-26.70-26.70-26.70-26.70-26.70-26.70-26.70-26.70-26.70-26.70-26.70-26.70-26.70-26.70-26.70-26.70-26.70-26.70-26.70-26.70-26.70-26.70-26.70-26.70-26.70-26.70-26.70-26.70-26.70-26.70-26.70-26.70-26.70-26.70-26.70-26.70-26.70-26.70-26.70-26.70-26.70-26.70-26.70-26.70-26.70-26.70-26.70-26.70-26.70-26.70-26.70-26.70-26.70-26.70-26.70-26.70-26.70-26.70-26.70-26.70-26.70-26.70-26.70-26.70-26.70-26.70-26.70-26.70-26.70-26.70-26.70-26.70-26.70-26.70-26.70-26.70-26.70-26.70-26.70-26.70-26.70-26.70-26.70-26.70-26.70-26.70-26.70-26.70-26.70-26.70-26.70-26.70-26.70-26.70-26.70-26.70-26.70-26.70-26.70-26.70-26.70-26.70-26.70-26.70-26.70-26.70-26.70-26.70-26.70-26.70-26.70-26.70-26.70-26.70-26.70-26.70-26.70-26.70-26.70-26.70-26.70-26.70-26.70-26.70-26.70-26.70-26.70-26.70-26.70-26.70-26.70-26.70-26.70-26.70-26.70-26.70-26.70-26.70-26.70-26.70-26.70-26.70-26.70-26.70-26.70-26.70-26.70-26.70-26.70-26.70-26.70-26.70-26.70-26.70-26.70-26.70-26.70-26.70-26.70-26.70-26.70-26.70-26.70-26.70-26.70-26.70-26.70-26.70-26.70-26.70-26.70-26.70-26.70-26.70-26.70-26.70-26.70-26.70-26.70-26.70-26.70-26.70-26.70-26.70-26.70-26.70-26.70-26.70-26.70-26.70-26.70-26.70-26.70-26.70-26.70-26.70-26.70-26.70-26.70-26.70-26.70-26.70-26.70-26.70-26.70-26.70-26.70-26.70-26.70-26.70-26.70-26.70-26.70-26.70-26.70-26.70-26.70-26.70-26.70-26.70-26.70-26.70-26.70-26.70-26.70-26.70-26.70-26.70-26.70-26.70-26.70-26.70-26.70-26.70-26.70-26.70-26.70-26.70-26.70-26.70-26.70-26.70-26.70-26.70-26 

#### **Authorized Units, Insurance & Offshore Funds**

Finance House Base Rate 13%

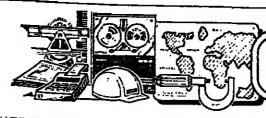
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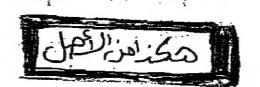
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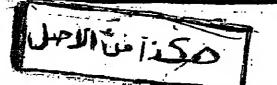
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Sizabeth Spriggs in the final episode of the Thames Felevision thriller Let Sleeping Dogs Die (ITV, 7.30)

Man Alive (BBC 2, 9.30), currently exploring the painful side-treets of erogenous zones—last week it was women's busts and he mutilation thereof in the cause of vanity—tonight moves rom "upstairs" (as the director of a clinic coyly puts it) to 'downstairs", for the subject is venereal disease, its transmission, and its treatment. Unlike last week's film, there are no beastly ictures to upset us tonight, though heaven knows the statistical, gedical and psychological facts are shocking, and Michael Dean andles some difficult interviews with his customary tact. The Malt Disney cartoon of an army of gonorrhoca and syphilis germs sing ordered into action on the parade ground, says nothing that he rest of the film does not say far more intelligently. It is not haracteristic of Man Alive to include such frivolities, which parcely come under the heading of sugar sweetening the pill.

In the confusion might have been worse. At least Are We Being Served? and Are You Being Served? go out on successive nights and not the same one. But the BBC really ought to have avoided dding to life's already abundant complexities. The "you" series BBC 1, 8.00) is the one about the department store and its reculiar staff. These are new stories, not repeats. I have chuckled them in the past, but not often and not loud. Perhaps familiarity red contempt. For the over-worked cast, however, I have nothing at praise.

1 Were George Cukor not such a remarkable director, I would say but the BBC's season of his films, beginning next week, was sing over-sold to us: the whole of Kaleidoscope on Monday night, nd a BBC 2 interview tonight (7.30). The season includes Garbo at er best (Camille) and Hepburn at her worst (The Corn is Green). It also includes The Bluebird, with Elizabeth Taylor, made five turn ago, and never screened in Britain.

Beef, David Pownall's play for Radio Theatre 81 (Radio 3, 7.30), about papal bulls: not the edict variety but livestock. They are to a sacrificially slaughtered during the Pope's 1979 visit to Ireland a what purports to be an attempt to bring peace to the troubled sand. I found it a shocking play, violent and perplexingly ymbolic. Though I did not like it, I should have hated to have

aissed it. I have rarely heard stereo used to more dramatic effect
...My musical choice for tonight: an old mono recording of iolomon and the Philbarmonia playing Mozart's Piano Concerto in (K488), followed by Heana Cotrubas (Violetta in the recent BBC La Traviata from the Met), Lucia Valentini Terrani and I Solisti Veneti in the Pergolesi Stabat Mater (Radio 4, 7.30).

THAT THE SYMBOLS MEAN: † STEREO; \* BLACK AND VHITE; (r) REPEAT.

## **Broadcasting Guide**

Edited by Peter Davalle

#### TELEVISION

BBC 1 6.40 am Open University: Rich Law, Poor Law?; 7.05 The Imperial Roman Army; 7.30 Crystals. Closedown at 7.55, 12.45 pm. News and weather

forecast.

1.00 Pebble Mill at One:
Thalidomide victim Ronnie
West attempts to drop by
parachute on to Poole Harbour;
1.45 See-Saw. Closedown at Claire Rayner's Casebook: How bereavement, divorce and

marital stress changes people's lives (r).
3.55 Play School: James Blades's story, Jake the Lumberjack, told by the author; 4.20 The Perils of Penelope Pitstop: 4.40 Heidi: Episode 18 of this story of a Swiss orphan girl; 5.05 John Craven's Newsround; 5.10 Blue Peter: the children's magazine. Sarah Greene visits the school for tin miners at Redruth.

40 News: with Peter Woods; 55 Regional news magazines. 1 Nationwide at 6.20 Sally In Nationwide at 6.20 Sally Hardcastle reports from Broad-moor, Frank Bough from Gilfach Goch, in South Wales. 6.55 Tomorrow's World: The space shuttle suit nobody will see unless something goes wrong. And a survival suit for its cold waters. ice-cold waters.
7.20 Top of the Pops: with Mike

Rend.

8.00 Are You Being Served?

New series of comedies about the staff of a department store.

A scare caused by a rare tropical disease. Largely the same old cast. (See Personal same old cast. (See Personal Choice.) 8.30 Sorry! The Ronnie Corbett comedy series. Tonight, vain attempts to see Gone with the Wind. 9.00 News: with Kenneth Ken-

the gelignite hijacking continue. With James Laurenson, Hildegard Neil.

10.15 Question Time: Robin Day's guests are Michael Heseltine, the Environment Secretary; Roy Hattersley; Nigel Broackes, chairman of Trafalgar House; and Harriet Harman, of the National Council for Civil Liberties.

11.20 Kojak: The detective goes into Wall Street — not to make some money but to investigate a robbery which leaves three innocent people dead. With Telly Savalas.

BBC 1 VARIATIONS: BBC Cymru/ Wales: 5.55 pm-6.20 Wales Today. 6.55-7.20 Heddiw. 11.20-12.5 am Ryphi. 12.5 News. Seetland: 5.55 pm-6.20 Reporting Scolland 8.30-9.00 The Current Account Report. 12.10 am News Northern Ireland: 3.53 pm-3.55 Northern Ireland News. 5.55-6.25 Score Around Sts. 10.15-10.45 Sportsweek 10.45-11.25 Notak (as BBC 1 at 11.20 pm). 11.35-12.35 am Ouestion Time: as BBC 1 at 10.15 pm; 12.35 News England: 5.55 pm-6.20 Regional news amagazines. 12.15 am tail.

9.25 A Spy at Evening: Part 2 of this thriller about dangerous extremists on both left and right. The investigations into

gelignite hijacking con-

6.55 International Snooker: Frame of the Day in the Embassy World Professional Snooker Championship.
7.20 News: With sub-titles for 6.40 Open University: Conceptual models in Stratigraphy; 7.05 The Gambler, Dostoevsky;

dall.

the hard of hearing.
7.30 George Cukor, Film Director: Extracts from an interview with the veteran Hollywood director. Now over 80, he to

happen? 9.00 Wall Street Crash: This

7.05 The Gambler, Dostoevsky;
7.30 Maths: numerical methods.
Closedown at 7.55.
11.00 Play School: Same as BBC
1, 3.55 (Jake the Lumberjack).
Closedown at 11.25.
2.15 pm International Snooker:
The third day's play in the
Embassy World Professional
Snooker Championship, from
Sheffield. Steve Davis plays
John Virgo, and John Spencer
plays Bill Werheniuk, Further
coverage on BBC 2 at 6.55, 10.20
and 11.30.
5.15 Open University: Air
traffic control; 5.40 The Mind-

of themselves in last year's Royal Variety Performance, appear in their first TV show. 9.30 Man Alive: Some of the Nicest People I Know Have Had VD: Michael Dean goes to clinics where the battle against venereal disease is being fought. He talks to victims and to doctors. (See Personal

director. Now over 80, he to doctors. (See Personal begins work on a new film, Choice.)
Secret Affairs, later this year.
The interviewer is John Gillett. More from the Embassy World (See Personal Choice.)
8.05 In Search of ... William world championship. Cliff Thorburn, which are Conqueror: The last in Michael Wood's invigorating series about Dark Ages figures.
Tonight: what exactly happened in 1066 — and why did it happened?

11.30 International Snooker: Highlights from tonight's play

Highlights from tonight's play in the Embassy World Promusical group (two girls, five fessional Championship. Ends boys) who gave a good account at 12.15 am.

#### Thames

BBC 2

9.30 Super Spy: Film about the German who was adopted by the United States and then became head of West German intelli-gence (r). 9.55 The New Accelerators: Film about the motor industry.

traffic control: 5.40 The Mindful Way: 6.05 Science and belief: Fontenelle; 6.30 Analysing social interaction.

10.20 Young Ramsay: Aborigine legend versus livestock virus.
11.10 Wild Canada: film about the caribou.

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2.45 Village Wooing: Shaw's comedy about a village grocer (Judi Dench) who overwhelms a travel writer (Richard Briers).

12.00 Gideon: The duckling with the voice of Tim Brooke-Taylor, 3.45 Leave it to Charlie: Comedy Today: the stolen nuts. 12.10 pm series about trade union Get up and Go: New series. trouble.

Beryl Reid and Mooncat, 2 4.15 Watch It! Magic from Alan Today: the stolen nuts. 12.10 pm series about trade union trouble.

Beryl Reid and Mooncat, a visitor from outer space. For the very young. 12.30 The Sullivans: Australian family serial. Alice is jobless, 1.00 News. 1.20 Thames News. 1.30 Take the High Road: New Series about trade union trouble.

Shacon, 4.20 Little House on the Prairie: A blind man sees again.

5.15 Emmerdale Farm: tension over a burglar.

5.45 News. 6.00 Thames News.

of the Ockenden Venture, the refugee relief and resettlement organization. With Trevor Hvett. Beautifully played (r).

series. Life on a Scottish estate,
The two jobs of Elizabeth
Cunningham (Edith Macarthur).
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2.00 After Noon Plus: The work
of the Ockenden Venture, the
refugee relief and resettlement
organization.

With Trevor

6.25 Help!
6.35 Battlestar Galactica: Nuclear threat to a planet.
7.30 Bognor: Episode 6 of Let
Sleeping Dogs Die; the investigator falls into a trap.
8.30 TV Eye.
9.00 Hill Street Blues: American

lice drama. 10.00 News. police drama. 10.00 News. 10.30 Thames Report: The urgent questions (about the planning process) which face the public inquiry into the development of the decelict Coin Street site on London's South Bank. 11.00 The New Avengers: Thriller about a people-cater, With Patrick Macnee, Joanna

Lumley, Gareth Hunt (r). 12.00 What the Papers Say: Gus Macdonald on spies and the 1968 "coun". 12:15 am Close: Rosalind Runcie reads from Dante's Inferno.

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6.00 am News Briefing. 6.10 Farming Today. 6.30 Today. 7.90-8.00 News. 7.30-8.30 Headlines. 8.35 Yesterday in Parlia 9.00 News. 9.00 News. 9.05 The Way of the World of Feter 9.00 News. Composers: The Court Radio 1 Simple. 9.30 The Living World.

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10.02 Emerprise.
10.30 Daily Service.
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11.00 News.
11.05 File on 4
11.50 Enquire Within.
12.00 News.
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12.55 Weather. 1.00 The World at One. 1.35 Party Political (Labour). 1.40 The Archers, 2.00 News. 2.02 Woman's Hour.

2.00 News.
3.02 Play: Family, by Robert Davis.
4.00 The Laughtersingers.]
4.15 Bookshelf.
4.45 Greenwich (3).
5.00 PM.
5.55 Weather.
6.00 News.
6.30 Any Answers?
6.55 It's a Bargain.
7.00 News.
7.05 The Archers.
7.20 Time for Verse.
7.30 Records: Mozart, Pergolesi.†
8.55 A Sideways Look.
8.50 Records: Vaughan Williams.†
9.30 Kaleidoscope.
10.00 The World Tonight.
11.00 Story: A Little Place off the

11.00 Story: A Little Place off the Edgware Road, by Graham Greene, 11.15 Financial World Tonight. 11.20 Today in Parliament,

VHF 10.30 am-10.45 Listen with Mother. 11.00 pm Study on 4: Voci dall'Italia

12.00 News. 12.15 am-12.23 Shipping forecast.

Radio 4

11.30-12.10 am Open University: Energy; Frank Lloyd Wright.

9.05 Week'. Composers: The Court of the Sun King. T
9.45 Quartet (Edinburgh): Puccini,
Camilleri, Dworak top 961.†
10.40 BBC Concert Orch/Lawrence:
Walton, R. Finch, G. Langford, J.
Langley, Bourgeois.†
11.40 Songs: F. G. Scott, Kilpinen.†
12.10 BBC Northern SO/Downes, pt
1: Smetana, Dvorak (Vin Conc—
Holmes! †
1.00 pm News.
1.00 pm News.
1.05 BBC NSO, pt 2: Tchaikovsky (Swan Lake excerpts).†
1.55 In Repertory: Bartok's stage works.†

2.55 Cimbalom (Fabian): 1. Lang. World Service Szokulay.† 3.15 ECO/Leppard: Handel (incl Water Music).†

Water Music).†
4.55 News.
5.00 Mainly for Pleasure.†
7.00 Talking about Music.†
7.30 Play: Beef, by David Pownall.†
9.00 Record: Purcell.†
9.15 Talk: An Exalted and Exceptional Destiny.
10.00 Patterson (concl).†
10.30 Talk: Words.
10.35 Violin (Kang): Ysaye, Kreisler, Prokofiev.†
11.00 News.
11.05-11.15 Record: Bartok.†

5.55 am-6.55 Open University: Transmission Lines; 18th-century Political Prints; History of Ethrothical Prints; History of Eth-nography. 11.J5 pm-12.55 am Open University; Maths Foundation Tutorial; Cogni-tive Development; Understanding Stress and Strain; Thought and Reality; the Growth of Public Expenditure.

Radio 3

6.55 am Weather.
7.00 News.
7.05 Records: Mozart, Telemann, Farkas, Brahms.†
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